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# TOWN *Report*

## 1980

Merrimac, Massachusetts











ANNUAL REPORT  
OF THE  
TOWN OFFICERS  
OF THE  
TOWN *of* MERRIMAC  
FOR THE  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31,  
1980



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IN MEMORIAM  
to those  
WHO HAVE HELD A PUBLIC OFFICE  
in the  
TOWN OF MERRIMAC

Mary E. Casazza  
George F. Mahoney  
H. Pearl Whiting-Reynolds  
Edward Treshinsky  
Milton E. Webster

## DIRECTORY OF ELECTED OFFICERS

### MODERATOR

Parker McLaren

### BOARD OF SELECTMEN

George A. Waterhouse, <del>Chairman</del> <i>2nd</i>	term expires 1982
Nancy C. MacGregor <i>CHAIRMAN</i>	<del>1981</del> <i>1984</i>
George P. Stevens <i>3rd member</i>	1983

### TOWN TREASURER

Geraldine A. Wallace

### TAX COLLECTOR

Wilfred G. Journey

### TOWN CLERK

Dorothy A. Cloyd

### BOARD OF ASSESSORS

Edward R. Davis, Chairman	term expires 1982
<del>J. Duncan How</del> <i>GEORGE W. MOTTI</i>	<del>1981</del> <i>1984</i>
Edmund L. Hamel	1983

### PLANNING BOARD

Arthur D. Evans, Chairman	term expires 1985
Robert Harrington, V. Chairman	1983
A. Bruce MacGregor	1984
Robert A. Becker	1982
Daniel J. McLaughlin resigned 9/23/80	1981

### CONSTABLES

Arthur D. Evans	term expires 1983
Brian Peavey	1983
Roland L. Spinney	1983

### TREE WARDEN

John A. Williams, III	term expires 1982
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## BOARD OF HEALTH

Richard R. Ouellette, Chairman	term expires 1983
Constance A. Hoyt	1982
Robert F. Roy	1981

## SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John R. Walsh	term expires 1983	<i>1.2.83</i>
Barbara I. Warden	1983	
Richard P. Hamel	1981	
Rhonda Osborne	1981	
Thomas F. Pettingill	1982	<i>3.2.82</i>
Ruth Parker - Whittier Vo-Tech Representative		

## TRUSTEES OF PUBLIC LIBRARY

Jeffrey W. Hoyt	term expires 1983
E. Elizabeth Pittman	1983
John M. Cryan	1981
Eida V. Jervey	1981
Nannette P. Becker	1982
Mary E. Parry	1982

## PLAYGROUND COMMISSION

William B. Bickford	term expires 1981
Leon B. Smith	1984
Edward R. Davis res'd 5/80	1985
Mary E. Parry	1981
John H. Willman	1982

## MUNICIPAL LIGHT COMMISSIONERS

Lawrence Hardy	term expires 1981
Ralph W. Spencer	1982
Wilbur E. Wallace	1983

## MUNICIPAL WATER COMMISSIONERS

Lawrence Hardy	term expires 1981
Ralph W. Spencer	1982
Wilbur E. Wallace	1983

## CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Merrill B. Smith, Sr.	term expires 1983
Alva W. Clark	1982
Harold R. Arbour	1981

## SEWER COMMISSIONERS

William Raper, Jr., Chairman	term expires 1983
Clifton E. Bixby	1981
Robert L. Spinney	1982

## MERRIMAC HOUSING AUTHORITY

Alexander M. Sullivan	term expires 1981
William D. Vance	1983
Warren W. Hoyt	1985
Dorothy E. Olson	
Helen Terrazzano	1982



## DIRECTORY OF APPOINTED OFFICIALS

### FINANCE COMMITTEE

Paul A. Warden, Co-Ch  
Ronald A. Jordan, Co-Ch  
John E. Dunn  
Walter A. Haggstrom  
Mark Welch

Theodore C. Dydowicz  
Raymond E. Petrarca  
Robert D. Marquis  
Harry Bowen

### BOARD OF APPEALS

George Mutti, Chairman	term expires 1982
Robert Sayers	1981
Ellan L. Evans	1981
Richard Herbert	1983
William Meins	1982

### ASSOCIATE MEMBERS BOARD OF APPEALS

Kathleen P. Dwyer	1982
William Dow	1983

Secretary - Eileen Herlihy

### SELECTMEN'S SECRETARY

Linda B. Graber  
Barbara A. Zelisko res'd 9/80

### TOWN ACCOUNTANT

David Hitchcock

### REGISTRARS OF VOTERS

Mildred Harrington	term expires 1983
Madeleine Lay	1982
Michael J. McLaughlin	1981

### TOWN COUNSEL

Ashod N. Amirian



ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Madeleine A. Lay

TOWN HALL JANITOR

Madeleine A. Lay

POLICE DEPARTMENT APPOINTMENTS

CHIEF

Donald J. Montigny

SERGEANT

Alfred Nichols

PERMANENT - FULL-TIME POLICE OFFICERS

James A. Flynn, Jr.  
David E. Chambers

Roland L. Spinney  
Richard D. Smith

SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS

Raymond J. Bastarache res'd 3/80  
Wayne D. Bickford  
Edward A. Cardone, Jr.  
Arthur D. Evans  
Jeffrey O. Frost res'd 6/80

Brian W. Peavey  
Edward Syvinski  
David J. Vance  
James M. Seymour  
Richard G. Noone

CLERK - DISPATCHER

Linda A. Seymour apptd. 9/80  
Roseanne M. Ryerson res'd 9/80

FULL-TIME DISPATCHERS/MATRONS

Marilyn Darbe

Debora LaValley

Cynthia Marshall

## PART-TIME DISPATCHERS/MATRONS

Kathy Foucher

Betty Ann Metanis

Virginia P. Heath

## CROSSING GUARDS

Margaret M. Gynan

Leslie J. Walker

Lottie Gouthier

Linda A. Seymour

Joyce Nevins

Charles A. Griggs

## RESERVE POLICE MATRON & CROSSING GUARD

Rachel L. Adams

## VOLUNTEER CROSSING GUARD

Frank Sowick

## HONORARY POLICE CHIEFS

Alexander M. Sullivan

Maurice Carey

## HONORARY POLICE OFFICERS

Fred A. Smith

Frank Danforth

Thomas Chaff

George R. Buzzell

## MISCELLANEOUS SPECIAL POLICE

Kenneth W. Batchelder, Jr.

Donaghue School

Red Oak School

Albert W. Lord

Economy Co-operative Bank

John Gilchrist

Grange Hall

Harold Arbour

Cemetery Property Only

Alfred C. Wright

Sanitary Landfill Only

Dorothy A. Wright

Sanitary Landfill Only

John R. Minihan

Honorary Police Dispatcher

Francis Noone

Highway Department

Verne Fisher

Highway Department

Gordon Rines

Highway Department

## DOG OFFICER

Richard Cunningham

ms. 4-12-82

FIRE DEPARTMENT ENGINEERS

Harold J. Hume

Richard J. Powers

Wallace P. Spencer

FOREST FIRE WARDEN

Richard J. Powers

INSPECTOR OF GAS

Richard Pearson

INSPECTOR OF WIRING

Roy Keiser

INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

Arthur Deuplisea

INSPECTOR OF SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEMS

John M. Maney

INSPECTOR OF PLUMBING

Gaetano T. Caruso

INSPECTOR OF MILK

Edward F. Ryan

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

INSPECTOR OF FOOD SERVICES

Edward F. Ryan

HEALTH NURSE

Charlotte E. Stepanian

SECRETARY TO BOARD OF HEALTH

Terri Walden

SECRETARY TO SEWER COMMISSIONERS

Carolyn Kelly

FENCE VIEWER

Walter Perkins

DIRECTOR OF CIVIL DEFENSE

James W. Smith apptd.

John Gilchrist res'd.

ASSISTANT RADIOLOGICAL OFFICER

Raymond Bastarache

ASSISTANT COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER

Raymond Ouellette

ENERGY CONSERVATION COORDINATOR

John Gilchrist

SUPERINTENDENT OF STREETS

Francis Noone

George T. Mac Gown res'd.

VETERANS' SERVICE AND GRAVE OFFICER

VETERAN'S AGENT AND BURIAL AGENT

Harrison DeLong

SWORN WEIGHERS

George A. Waterhouse

Robert Stevenson

Ralph L. Buzzell

Paul Hajjar

CONSERVATION COMMISSION

Nathan Tufts, Co-Chairman

term expires 1981

Walter Perkins, Co-Chairman

1981

Ronald Shaw

1982

Dr. Robert W. Hanks

RES'D 7-27-81

1982

Robert Topitzer, Secretary

1982

Bruce Evans

1983

Allan Dustin

1983

DR Alan Pollock appt 7-27-81



## COUNCIL ON AGING

Mary Rouine Marsh, Director

Geraldine Raper	term expires	1982
Evelyn Morrill		1984
Rosalind Smedberg		1982
Evelyn Greeley		1983
Patricia George		1983
Inez Lund		1982
Carey Reynolds		1982
Dorothy Robinson	<i>Res'd - BURNELL O'BRIEN 6/7/82</i>	1981
Frederick Sloban		1983
John Foley res'd.		1981
Corrado Pirrotta res'd.		1983
Karen Zacharis res'd.		1983

## ELECTION OFFICERS

Rachel L. Adams	Genevieve M. Lay
Mary C. Cheney	Madeleine A. Lay
Grace L. Clark	Gwendolyn Lay
Lucy M. Durant	Barbara E. MacLeod
Carol S. Francis	Barbara A. Montigny
Evelyn M. Greeley	Virginia Peirce
Carole A. Guertin	Harriette B. Smith
Mildred F. Harrington	Sadie E. Spencer
Evelyn B. Morrill	Charlotte Soucy
	Linda B. Graber

## TRUSTEES OF KIMBALL PARK

Charlie O. Haynes	term expires
Allen Wilson	1981

## SURVEYORS OF LUMBER & MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

Richard Vigneault	Arthur Benjamin
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## MERRIMAC HISTORICAL COMMISSION

Frederick N. Sweetsir	term expires	1981
Jeffrey Hoyt		1981
Kenneth G. Fowle		1981
Elizabeth S. Emery		1982
Harold Waterhouse		1982
Evelyn Calnan		1983
Charlotte McCarron		1983

## SELECTMEN'S REPRESENTATIVE MUSEUM COMMITTEE

George A. Waterhouse

## MERRIMAC BEAUTIFICATION COMMITTEE

Nathan Tufts, Jr.

Ellsworth D. Commings, Jr.

Nancy Perkins

## SANITARY LANDFILL STUDY COMMITTEE

Cathy Shaw

Lloyd Farrin

Robert Cortell

Daniel Gulezian

William Meins

## LEGION HALL STUDY COMMITTEE

James Christie

Timothy Barry

Bernard J. Hume

## HISTORIC DISTRICT STUDY COMMITTEE

Dr. Frederick Sweetsir

term expires 1981

Kenneth Fowle

1982

Ronald Shaw

1982

Armen DerHohannessian

1981

Clinton F. Goodwin

1981

Joseph N. Abate

Frederick Wendt

1982

## BROX BUILDING RENOVATION COMMITTEE

Richard Powers

Richard Herbert

Everett L. Cossar

Ronald Shaw

George P. Stevens

Non-voting member Donald J. Montigny

Raymond Bastarache

## SELECTMEN'S DESIGNEE — REGIONAL TRANSIT AUTHORITY & MVPC REPRESENTATIVE

Arthur D. Evans

## MVPC ALTERNATE

Richard Waterhouse



SELECTMEN'S DESIGNEE —  
MERRIMACK VALLEY TRANSPORTATION POLICY  
ADVISORY GROUP

Nancy C. MacGregor (TPAG)

MVPC REPRESENTATIVE TO 208 POLICY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Nathan Tufts

LIBRARY

Laura Cram, Head Librarian  
Edna Macey  
Brenda Peavey

Stephanie Marro, Assistant  
Frances Foss  
Suzanne Zilembo

TOWN FOREST COMMITTEE

Walter Perkins  
Robert Topitzer  
Dr. Robert W. Hanks

Ruth Parker  
George Wallace

# VOTE FOR OFFICERS ANNUAL ELECTION

May 12, 1980

## MODERATOR

H. Parker McLaren	221
Blanks	26

## SELECTMAN, for three years

George P. Stevens	189
Harry R. Bowen	3
Donald Montigny	2
William Meins	2
George Mutti	1
Wilbur Wallace	1
Mark Welch	1
Blanks	48

## TOWN TREASURER, for one year

Geraldine A. Wallace	220
Blanks	27

## TOWN CLERK, for one year

Dorothy A. Cloyd	232
Madeleine Lay	1
Blanks	14

## ASSESSOR, for three years

Edmond L. Hamel	211
Lincoln Walker	2
Blanks	34

## PLANNING BOARD, for five years

Arthur Evans	204
Blanks	43

## TREE WARDEN, for two years

John A. Williams, III	182
Donald J. Montigny, Jr.	3
Louis Bibeau	2
Arthur Benjamin	2
Blanks	58

CONSTABLE, for three years

Arthur D. Evans	192
Brian Peavey	20
Alfred Nichols	5
Roland Spinney	5
Wallace Spencer	3
William Meins	2
James Flynn	1
Daniel Gulezian	1
Mark Welch	1
David Goodwin	1
Blanks	509

BOARD OF HEALTH, for three years

Richard Ouellette	18
Arthur Hoyt	3
Terri Walden	1
Robert Harrington	1
Jane Rines	1
John Willman	1
Walter Calnan	1
Constance Hoyt	1
Blanks	220

SCHOOL COMMITTEE, for three years

John R. Walsh	189
Barbara I. Warden	176
John Dunn	1
Blanks	128

LIBRARY TRUSTEE, for three years

Jeffrey W. Hoyt	210
E. Elizabeth Pittman	189
Blanks	95

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION, for five years

Edward R. Davis	185
John Willman	9
Wayne Bickford	1
Robert Handerson	1
Blanks	51

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION, for one year

Mary E. Parry	196
John Willman	1
Blanks	50

PLAYGROUND COMMISSION, for two years

John Willman	66
Glen M. Allison	1
Edward F. Madden	1
Ronald Kennedy	1
George Stevens	1
Robert Handerson	1
Dennis Brodie	1
William Whiting	1
Gordon Rines	1
Blanks	173

CEMETERY TRUSTEE, for three years

Merrill B. Smith, Sr.	203
Blanks	44

LIGHT COMMISSIONER, for three years

Wilbur E. Wallace	75
Arthur Amirault	59
Richard Waterhouse	4
Gordon Rines	5
Thomas J. Sayers	4
Donald J. Montigny	3
Brian Peavey	3
Allen Stevens	2
Philip Drolet	1
Patricia McAllister	1
Blanks	90

WATER COMMISSIONER, for three years

Wilbur E. Wallace	78
Arthur Amirault	48
Thomas Sayers	5
Gordon Rines	4
Richard Waterhouse	3
Allen Stevens	2
Brian Peavey	2
Donald J. Montigny	2
Blanks	103

SEWER COMMISSIONER, for three years

William W. Raper, Jr.	204
Wilbur E. Wallace	1
Blanks	42

HOUSING AUTHORITY, for five years

Warren W. Hoyt

Barbara Montigny

Blanks



## JURY LIST

The following jury list for the year beginning July 1, 1980 has been prepared by the Board of Selectmen in compliance with Chapter 234, Section 4, of the General Laws and adopted June 18, 1979:

NAME	ADDRESS	OCCUPATION
Adams, Charles H.,	107 E. Main St.	Bus Driver
Allen, Angele M.,	5 Meadow Avenue	Western Electric
Armstrong, David,	Church Street	Machinist
Atkins, Gilbert N.,	West Shore Road	Western Electric
Aubut, Paul J.,	21 Green Street	Western Electric
Barnes, Christine,	19 Winter Street	Coil Winder
Bedard, George E.,	24 Orchard Street	Western Electric
Bibeau, Anna F.,	25 Pleasant Street	Western Electric
Bickford, William,	24 Union Street	Gas Co.
Brodie, Dennis N.,	4D Greenleaf Drive	Gas Co.
Brooks, Wayne D.,	85 East Main Street	Mass. Electric
Carey, James M.,	34 Nichols Street	Western Electric
Castine, Henry J.,	Town Forest Road	Retired
Davis, Edward R.,	4 Currier Avenue	Mass. Electric
Doyle, Frances M.,	24 Summer Street	Cable Operator
Durant, Lucy M.,	22 Woodalnd Street	Retired
Dustin, Alan G.,	67 Bear Hill Road	B & M Executive
Fall, Wayne,	56 East Main street	Microfab
Fowle, Kenneth G.,	115 Church Street	Banker
Garlick, George H.,	Birchmeadow Road	Engineer
Gill, Merlon P.,	40 So. Pleasant Street	Western Electric
Gozycki, Gary,	9 Red Oak Acres	Airlines
Grant, David W.,	4 Forest Street	Western Electric
Griffiths, John,	10 Grove Street	Railroad
Guthro, John,	50 Birchmeadow Road	Inspector
Hardy, Lawrence W.,	One Broad Street	Electronics Tech.
Hartford, Arlene M.,	Champion Street	Western Electric
Hawkes, Adam,	24 Pine Street	Electronics Tech.
Hildred, Lorring R.,	56 East Main Street	Retired
Kinney, Robert E.,	64 School Street	Anheuser Busch Co.
LaFrance, Nellie M.,	49 West Main Street	Western Electric
LaValley, Richard A.,	71 Church Street	Western Electric
Lynch, Michael,	10 Heath Road	Engineer
MacLeod, Robert D.,	9 Glenn Road	Telephone Co.
Mahoney, George F.,	Merrimac Terrace	Retired
Mailman, George,	12 Heath Road	Engineer
McCarthy, John J.,	55 Church Street	Western Electric
O'Brien, John J., Jr.,	34 Woodland Street	IBM Operator



Ouellette, Raymond L., 91 Birchmeadow Road	Western Electric
Paradis, Robert J., 68 Church Street	Tool & Dye
Pittman, Elizabeth T., 49 West Main Street	RN
Potter, Frank E., 12 Green Street	Raytheon
Prehn, Dennis R., 20 Emery Street	Electronics Tech.
Putnam, F. David, 40 Winter Street	Supervisor
Richards, Reginald L., One Lake Avenue	Production Mgr.
Robbie, Walter, 46 Locust Street	V.P. Tool Co.
Roche, Stephen F., 33 West Shore Road	Technician
Rossi, Guy W., 4 West Hadley Road	Supervisor
Sacarob, George J., 6D Greenleaf Drive	Invest. Counselor
Sampson, Alfred J., 18 Summer Street	Manager
Sears, Beverly J., 8 Central Street	Western Electric
Simpson, Merton, 9 Bartlett Street	Western Electric
Smith, Charles A., 64 Church Street	Craig Systems
Smith, Russell, 5 Hillside Avenue	Comp. Tech.
Thomas, Samuel A., 16 Prospect Street	Telephone Co.
Walsh, John R., 96 Birchmeadow Road	Youth Counsel
Waterman, Charles R., 10 Vendome Street	Electronics Tech.
Whiting, Dorothy J., One Forest Street	Librarian
Woodman, Dorothy A., 107 East Main Street	Western Elec.

## MERRIMAC FIRE ALARM

Emergency Fire Alarm Telephone Number 346-8111

Emergency Phone 6-8111 should be used for fire calls only. If for any reason the line is out of order, please dial operator and ask for EMERGENCY OPERATOR. All other calls 346-8112.

IN ALL CASES GIVE YOUR NAME AND EXACT LOCATION OF FIRE

- 3-3 Chief's Call
- 4 FIRE STATION
- 5 Merrimac Square
- 12 Locust Street, corner of Green Street
- 13 Main Street, opposite Forest Street
- 14 Main Street, near residence of Carl Olson
- 15 Birch Meadow Rd. and Main St. to Haverhill-Merrimac line
- 16 Woodland and Grove Street
- 17 School and Pleasant Streets
- 18 School and Mill Streets
- 21 East Main Street, opposite Skip's Snack Bar
- 23 56 East Main Street
- 24 Church Street, opposite Maple Street
- 25 Church and Mechanic Streets
- 26 Summer and Prospect Streets
- 27 Church Street, near residence of Richard Powers
- 28 Sawyer and Nichols Streets
- 31 Pleasant Street, Merrimacport
- 32 Merrimac Street, near Middle Road
- 34 Merrimac Street, Merrimacport
- 35 22 High Street, Merrimacport
- 36 Merrimac and Broad Streets, Merrimacport
- 41 Lower East Main Street, Lake Attitash entrance
- 42 Lake Attitash Park at Fern Avenue
- 43 Emery Street at Burnside
- 51 Locust and Walnut Streets
- 52 Lower Locust Street, to Merrimac-Haverhill line
- 62 Birch Meadow Rd. and Hadley District - Telephone-No Box
- 71 Bear Hill Rd., to Newton, N.H. line - Telephone-No Box
- 72 West Shore, Lake Attitash - Telephone-No Box
- 74 Dance Hall, Lake Attitash - Telephone-No Box
- 112 Nativity Church, Green Street
- 132 Helen R. Donaghue School - Union Street
- 133 TELOCA Union Street
- Northeast National Bank

- 171 Housing for Elderly - Middle Street
- 227 Harriman and Highland Roads
- 271 Red Oak School
- 272 Harriman Road
- 516 Oak Circle - Telephone-No Box
- 524 Second and Cross Street, Amesbury - Telephone-No Box
- 2 Recall - All Out - Also All Clear Air Raid
- 2 10 times - Disaster Call Civil Defense

### NO SCHOOL SIGNAL

NO SCHOOL announcements will be made over Station WBZ and WHAV after 7:00 o'clock in the morning.

6:30 a.m. 11 - 11 - 11 - NO SCHOOL ALL DAY





WARRANT  
for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, MAY 5, 1980

ESSEX, ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hearby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on:

MONDAY, MAY 5, 1980

at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money necessary for the cost of interim financing for the Water Department Well Field and Water Main Project; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$600.00

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for Consultant fees and negotiation of contracts as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$2,000.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of increasing the Group Health and Life Insurance Benefit Account; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$5,000.00

WARRANT  
for  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on:

MONDAY, MAY 5, 1980

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to exceed the Appropriation Limit by \$250,000.00 under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - Unanimous

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote not to exceed \$3,248,808.51 of the Levy Limit under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1970; or take any other action relative thereto. Hand Vote      Yes 39      No 2

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended; Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, and raise appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1980 and make appropriations for the same, said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED - Unanimous vote

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1980, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED



ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - to use sum of \$90,865.00

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - to transfer sum of \$9,000.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such a sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Sections 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - to transfer sum of \$1,850.00

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer dog license fees collected during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980, to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An Act Providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries"; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - to transfer sum of \$1,200.00

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to retain \$11,482.00 of Free Cash certified July 1, 1979, under the provisions of Section 12(a) of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED - retain \$35,000. of free cash for future use

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for interest on temporary borrowing necessary for the sewer construction project for Fiscal Year 1981 in addition to the amount appropriated for Fiscal Year 1980; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - appropriate \$35,000.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to increase the total authorized amount for the design phase of the proposed sewage system from \$385,000 to \$410,000; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the acquisition of any land and easements or interest in land, by gift, purchase or eminent domain, necessary for laying sewer lines and interceptors on private property, and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto. MOTION CARRIED Yes  
33 No 1 - Appropriate \$15,000.00

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the Water Department Well Field and Water Main Project for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - appropriate \$15,000.00

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will appropriate \$37,100 or any other sum for replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe and modification of the system controls; to determine whether such appropriation will be raised by borrowing or otherwise; and to take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED - to borrow \$30,000.00 and transfer \$25,000.00 from Stabilization Fund

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe, and modification of the system controls for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - appropriate \$2,000.00

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of construction, reconstruction and resurfacing of local streets; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - Transfer from Surplus Revenue sum of \$11,295.00

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to change or improve the heating system for the Police Department located at the Brox Municipal Building, Merrimac; and to determine how said sum shall be raised whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - appropriate \$7,500.00



ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Police Cruiser towards the cost of said new Cruiser; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - Transfer sum of \$5,700.00 from Revenue Sharing

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a new Radar Unit for the Police Department and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Radar Unit towards the cost of said new Radar Unit; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - Transfer sum of \$91.71 & appropriate \$1,008.29 total \$1,100.00

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for the Fiscal Year 1981 thru Fiscal Year 1984 for the purpose of maintaining a Sanitary Landfill Operation; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to maintain a Sanitary Landfill Operation for the Fiscal Year 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - To transfer from Revenue Sharing sum of \$54,400.00

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying funds to Haley & Ward, Inc., Civil and Environmental Engineers of Waltham, Massachusetts, for engineering services required for the continuing operation of the Town's Sanitary Landfill for the period of July 1, 1980 thru June 30, 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried - to appropriate sum of \$6,200.00

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Small quantities of brush gathered from general yard cleaning may be deposited in the Landfill Area without first being chipped" and substituting in place thereof the following sentence: "All materials deposited in the Town Landfill Area must be chipped in accordance with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Laws and Regulations"; or take any other action relative thereto. TABLED

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Stumps and logs will be accepted as is" and substitute in place thereof the following sentence:

“No stumps, logs, or tires shall be deposited in the Town Landfill Area”; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried as amended.

ARTICLE 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XV of the Town By-Laws by adding Section XIV, which reads as follows: “No person shall deposit, maintain or use, or cause suffer or permit to be constructed, maintained, or used stumps or logs as fill on any lot or lots in the Town of Merrimac”; or take any other action relative thereto. TABLED

ARTICLE 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for Consultant fees as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - Transfer from Revenue Sharing sum of \$4,000.00

ARTICLE 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for installing insulation, storm windows and whatever interior structural changes are required to make Town Offices energy efficient; or take any other action relative thereto. TABLED

ARTICLE 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Development Financing Authority for industrial development purposes pursuant to Chapter 40D of the Massachusetts General Laws and make the appropriate findings and declarations; or take any other action relative thereto. DEFEATED

ARTICLE 31. To see if the Town will vote to pass a Sewer Use By-Law for the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED  
Yes 129 No 2

ARTICLE 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the transfer from the Fire Department of the ladder truck to the Town; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 33. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Legion Hall Study Committee; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept by way of gift from Stanley F. Wood Post #134, The American Legion Home; said American Legion Home would be used by and for the Town’s Boards and Committees, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen or for any other purpose that the said Selectmen deem necessary; and further that the upper hall and storage room of said building be used by the American Legion and Auxiliary; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED



ARTICLE 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay its share of a Circuit Rider Executive Secretary; or take any other action relative thereto. INDEFINITELY POSTPONED

WARRANT  
for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1980

ESSEX, ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on:

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 1980

at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer the sum of \$13,355.52 or any other sum, from available funds to retain the services of Patrolman James A. Flynn, Jr. as a full-time Police Officer in the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto. Voted to transfer the sum of \$7,252 from Special Acct. & transfer balance of \$5,213.03 from Revenue Sharing (\$12,464.03)

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to rescind its vote as stated in Article 10 of the May 5, 1980 Annual Town Meeting; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried - transfer \$1,200 Revenue Sharing

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Zoning By-Law establishing an Historic District to be known as the River Village Historic District, and an Historic District Commission under the provisions of Chapter 40C, Massachusetts General Laws Annotated, as most recently amended by Chapter 706, Acts of 1975; or take any other action relative thereto. Motion not carried (2 counts)

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to paint the overhead doors at the Fire Station; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried as amended \$650. Revenue Sharing

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to convey Town owned land located in front of the Legion Hall, so-called, to the American Legion Home; said land being described in deed from David P. Sharpe to the Town of Merrimac dated January 7, 1931, and recorded with the Land Court - Book 36, #8972 and Certificate #24317; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from Revenue Sharing a sum of money to be used to perform an energy audit of the Town Hall; or take any other action relative thereto. Tabled

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for installing insulation, storm windows and whatever interior structural changes are required to make the Town Offices energy efficient; or take any other action relative thereto. Tabled

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to allow the Merrimack Valley Regional Transit Authority to supply transportation for one and one-half (1½) days per week to the elderly and handicapped through the Merrimac Council on Aging; or take any other action relative thereto. Carried

WARRANT  
for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet



in the RED OAK SCHOOL IN MERRIMAC on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1980 at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of increasing the Group Health and Life Insurance Benefit Account; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$5,000.00

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of audit examinations for the fiscal periods July 1, 1979 through June 30, 1981; or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$7,500.00

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to increase the amount appropriated at the May 1980 Town Meeting, Article 20 for the purpose of purchasing a cruiser for the Police Department, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$2,100.00.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used by the Assessors for computer expenses necessitated by the classification and revaluation process, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED - transfer from Revenue Sharing \$500.00

ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Water Department Wages account a sum of money from Revenue Sharing or available funds, to be used to employ two (2) helpers for the remainder of this fiscal year, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED TO TRANSFER FROM REVENUE SHARING \$6,417.48

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer to the Water Department Wages account a sum of money from Revenue Sharing or available funds, to pay for the increase in over-time required by the number of water breaks caused by installation of the sewerage system, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED TO TRANSFER FROM REVENUE SHARING \$5,000.00

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to approve the \$3,443,000. indebtedness authorized by the Regional District School Committee of the Pentucket Regional School District on November 4, 1980, for constructing an addition to the regional senior high school building and equipping and furnishing the same, for remodeling and making extraordinary repairs to such building, for remodeling and making extraordinary repairs to the regional junior high school building, for constructing sewerage systems and sewerage treatment and disposal facilities, and for purchasing departmental equipment (such projects to include site work relating to the athletic fields adjacent to such buildings). DEFEATED

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to allow the appointment by the Moderator of a committee of members at large from the Town to conduct a study to determine the feasibility of combining any or all of the Water & Light Department, the Sewer Department, and the Highway Department under one (1) department, which would be subject to one (1) commission; for example a Commission of Public Works. And to present a report to the Annual Town Meeting, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED AS AMENDED

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will enter into mutual agreement with the Towns or Cities as called upon for assistance as outlined in Mass. General Laws Chapter 48, Section 59A and New Hampshire Revised Statutes Annotated Chapter 154, Sections 24 through 30, or take any other action relative thereto. CARRIED

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to amend Section XV Para. 3D of the Zoning Bylaws by deleting the following sentence:

Upon receipt of the petition and non-refundable fee of \$12.00 to be paid at the time of filing, the Board of Appeals will take prompt notice in accordance with M.G.L.A. Chapter 40A, \$25.00 non-refundable filing fee for special permit for gravel pit operations

and substitute in place thereof the following sentences:

Upon receipt of the petition and non-refundable fee of \$25.00 to be paid at time of filing, the Board of Appeals will take prompt notice in accordance with M.G.L.A. Chapter 40A. Special permits for stripping of topsoil shall be required to pay a \$50.00 non-refundable fee. All applications for a variance and special permits for the removal of topsoil shall be accompanied with a registered plot plan(s) reflecting existing grades prior to stripping, and the proposed finished grades. CARRIED



## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

In January, the Board received possible projects for upcoming Community Development Block Grant Funding. It was agreed to look into the sewerage needs at Lake Attitash. The Selectmen met with the Sewer Commissioners and agreed to apply for \$295,000. to fund the installing of sewer collectors in the Lake Attitash area. In April we were notified that Merrimac would be awarded the grant. The Board appointed Nathan Tufts to administer the grant.

In February the firm of Truman C. Edwards, Accountants presented the Board of Selectmen with their completed report of examination and audit. The audit covered a five year period through May 1979, and was a full Town audit. The report contained many important suggestions for improved financial procedures, some have already been implemented and others will be receiving additional review.

During the winter and spring of '80 the Board was inundated by materials from the State concerning the 4% tax cap. Many seminars were held to inform the municipal officials about the cap and its implications for budgets and the ability of cities and towns to levy taxes for fiscal '81.

During the past calendar year Merrimac's second housing rehabilitation project continued to upgrade that portion of Town's housing stock which met the qualifications under the grant.

Energy costs and the need for conservation became issues of concern as Selectmen watched heating and lighting costs in municipal buildings continue to rise. John Gilchrist was appointed Energy Co-ordinator for the Town, and began to attend state meetings on energy conservation and report to the Board on measures needed to be reviewed if we are serious about conservation. The Board has been, and still is, searching for funds to winterize the Town Hall. In order to qualify for Federal Funds, if they became available, we must first have a preliminary energy audit, then a technical energy audit by a certified engineer. We have completed the preliminary audit and are now on the list for state monies to do a technical audit.

In September, James E. Smith was appointed Civil Defense Director. In October he presented the Board with a comprehensive Emergency Operations Plan for their review. Mr. Smith urged cooperation of all Town Departments.

In November Proposition 2½ was passed and we all began to deal with its future effects on budget and personnel.

In response to a petition from Townspeople requesting we consider Cable TV, the Board met with the State Commissioner to review procedures and guidelines. In December a formal hearing was held so that the public could express their views on Cable, both pro and con. The licensing process was begun and preliminary proposals will be received on April 17, 1981.

Finally, the Board was successful in obtaining a dog officer for the Town of Merrimac. Richard Cunningham, from the Town of Newbury. He has pursued a vigorous program of licensing dogs throughout the Town.

The Selectmen would like to thank all elected and appointed individuals, and the Boards who have, as always, served the Town throughout the year.

GOERGE A. WATERHOUSE, Chairman  
GEORGE P. STEVENS, Clerk  
NANCY C. MacGREGOR

## REPORT OF THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I hereby submit the Annual Report of the Town Accountant in accordance with Chapter 41, Section 60, of the General Laws.

I express herewith my appreciation of the cooperation and courteous assistance rendered by you and all other Town Officials in complying with the requirements of our system.

Respectfully submitted,  
DAVID HITCHCOCK  
Town Accountant

TOWN OF MERRIMAC      FINAL TRIAL BALANCE  
June 30, 1980

Accounts	Debits	Credits
Cash	532,834.29	
Special Cash Revenue Sharing Title I	125,927.84	
Special Cash Anti-Recession Title II	91.71	
Cash Light Depreciation	245,590.40	
Petty Cash Advance	485.00	
Tailings		230.90
Unappropriated Revenue Sharing Funds		7,974.20
Taxes:		
Personal-1980	519.57	
Personal-1979	413.60	
Personal-1978	225.42	
Personal-1977	338.17	
Personal-1976	536.70	
Real-1980	79,425.03	
Real-1979	17,212.56	
Real-1977		.01
Excise Taxes:		
Boat-1980	194.00	
Boat Excise Revenue		194.00
Excise-1980		51,507.84
Excise-1979		17,874.02



Accounts	Debits	Credits
Excise-1978	6,193.55	
Excise-1977	6,905.10	
Excise-1976	3,719.02	
Excise-1975	5,191.91	
Excise-1974	1,667.51	
Excise-1973	191.13	
	93,250.08	
Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise Revenue		93,250.08
Farm Animal Excise:		
1979	4.00	
1978	3.00	
	7.00	
Farm Animal Excise Revenue		7.00
Overlay 1980		10,098.41
Overlay 1979		11,110.76
Overlay 1978		
Overlay 1977	847.41	
Overlay 1976	918.16	
Overlay 1975	53.37	
Overlay 1973-74		492.39
		394.84
Tax Titles	46,145.95	
Tax Possessions	8,125.62	
Tax Title Revenue		54,271.57
Due from Stabilization Fund	25,000.00	
Due from Light Operations	9,000.00	
Departmental Accounts Receivable	1,155.87	



Departmental Revenue			1,155.87
Light Department Accounts Receivable:			
Light	18,547.41		
General Service	10,513.32		
Miscellaneous Service	2,206.54	31,267.27	
Light Department Revenue			31,267.27
Water Department Accounts Receivable:			
Rates	11,802.81		
Miscellaneous	537.15		
Meter Rentals	6.00		
Liens 1980	210.00		
Liens 1979	5.20	12,561.16	
Water Revenue			12,561.16
Federal Aid to Public Works			
Accounts Receivable:		6,650.00	
State Aid to Public Works			
Accounts Receivable:		7,050.00	
State and Federal Aid to Public Works			
Projects Revenue			13,700.00
State Aid to Highways Accounts Receivable:			
State Aid to Highways Revenue		7,049.39	7,049.39
State and County Assessments:			
State Parks and Reservations	742.50		
County Taxes	4,099.78		
Merrimac Valley Air Pollution District			152.54
SPED Chapter 766			5,263.00

Accounts	Debits	Credits
Consumer Deposit		5,400.72
Sales Tax		63.35
Water Meter Fund		96.90
Dog Fees		257.20
Library Trusts Expense Account		75.84
Cemetery Trusts Expense Account		8,788.71
Sale of Cemetery Lots		300.00
Loans Authorized	1,867,000.00	
Loans Authorized But Unissued		1,867,000.00
Appropriations, General 1980 and Non Revenue		216,265.63
Appropriations, Revenue Sharing		
Police Cruiser	5,700.00	
Dog Officer	1,750.00	
Dump Operation SL-2	145.54	
Dump Operation SL-3	54,400.00	
Land Acquisition	34,160.00	
Indian Head Park Rest Rooms	1,073.59	
Town Hall Heating System	5,312.00	
Group Insurance	1,360.96	
Consultant Services, Negotiations #1	1,865.29	
Consultant Services, Negotiations #2	2,000.00	
Consultant Services, Negotiations #3	4,000.00	
Unemployment Compensation	6,122.93	
Interest on Borrowing Water Project 1980	63.33	117,953.64
Appropriations, Anti-Recession Funds		
Police Radar		91.71

Revenue 1981	2,741,842.43	
Appropriation Control 1981		2,841,707.43
Surplus Revenue		313,310.36
Light Depreciation Fund		245,590.40
Reserve for Petty Cash		485.00
Net Funded and Fixed Debt	565,000.00	
Red Oak School		245,000.00
Water Wells		270,000.00
Stand Pipe		50,000.00
Trust Funds in Custody of Treasurer:	203,828.44	
Various Library Trusts		3,900.00
Thomas Hoyt Library Trusts		17,626.25
Wadleigh Library Trusts		3,380.33
Kimball Park Trust Fund		6,502.39
Cemetery Perpetual Care		108,489.87
Cemetery Trusts		1,881.16
Post War Rehabilitation		1,500.00
Stabilization Fund		55,331.88
Purchase Bonds for School Renovation		133.22
Armstrong-McInnis Trust Fund		5,083.34
	6,635,388.72	6,635,388.72

Respectfully submitted by,  
DAVID HITCHCOCK  
Town Accountant

TOWN OF MERRIMAC  
DETAILED STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES -  
GENERAL FUND

Period Ending June 30, 1980

	Continued Appropriations 7/1/79	Appropriations General Budget	Special Articles	Receipts and (Transfers)	Total Budgeted 6/30/80	Expendi- tures	Balance 6/30/80
GENERAL GOVERNMENT							
Moderator	-0-	12.00	-0-	-0-	12.00	12.00	-0-
Finance Committee	-0-	1,050.00	-0-	-0-	1,050.00	903.65	146.35
Selectmen Salaries	-0-	3,400.00	-0-	-0-	3,400.00	3,400.00	-0-
Selectmen Expense	-0-	2,800.00	-0-	773.00	3,573.00	3,398.56	174.44
Selectmen Secretary	-0-	7,200.00	-0-	-0-	7,200.00	7,200.00	-0-
Accountant Salary	-0-	7,233.00	-0-	685.50	7,918.50	7,918.50	-0-
Accountant Expense	-0-	460.00	-0-	-0-	460.00	456.83	3.17
Treasurer Salary	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	4,000.00	-0-
Treasurer Expense	-0-	5,300.00	-0-	606.00	5,906.00	5,895.16	10.84
Tax Collector Salary	-0-	2,500.00	-0-	-0-	2,500.00	2,500.00	-0-
Clerk Salary	-0-	1,500.00	-0-	-0-	1,500.00	1,500.00	-0-
Tax Collector Expense	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	4,000.00	-0-
Assessors Salaries	-0-	3,600.00	-0-	-0-	3,600.00	3,600.00	-0-
Clerk Salary	-0-	8,336.00	-0-	-0-	8,336.00	8,336.00	-0-
Assessors Expense	-0-	2,100.00	-0-	-0-	2,100.00	2,021.49	78.51
Equalizations 1	281.97	-0-	-0-	-0-	281.97	281.97	-0-
Equalizations 2	1,200.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,200.00	888.93*	311.07
Town Council Salary	-0-	1,980.00	-0-	-0-	1,980.00	1,980.00	-0-
Town Council Expense	-0-	4,500.00	-0-	-0-	4,500.00	4,495.00	5.00



Town Clerks Salary	-0-	1,500.00	-0-	-0-	1,500.00	1,500.00	-0-
Town Clerks Expense	-0-	750.00	-0-	300.00	1,050.00	1,030.69	19.31
Registrars Salary	-0-	300.00	-0-	-0-	300.00	300.00	-0-
Registrars Expense	-0-	350.00	-0-	-0-	350.00	284.00	66.00
Census Takers Salary	-0-	400.00	-0-	-0-	400.00	400.00	-0-
Elections Off. Salaries	-0-	732.00	-0-	-0-	732.00	602.00	130.00
Election Off. Expense	-0-	52.00	-0-	8.00	60.00	60.00	-0-
Planning Board Expense	-0-	800.00	-0-	-0-	800.00	187.00	613.00
Planning Board Consultant	3,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,000.00	-0- *	3,000.00
Appeals Board Expense	-0-	400.00	-0-	233.35	633.35	633.35	-0-
Bonding Town Officers	-0-	825.00	-0-	38.00	863.00	863.00	-0-
Town Hall Janitor Salary	-0-	1,068.00	-0-	-0-	1,068.00	1,068.00	-0-
Town Hall Expense	-0-	3,200.00	-0-	-0-	3,200.00	3,180.29	19.71
Town Hall Heat	-0-	3,000.00	-0-	554.44	3,554.44	3,554.44	-0-
Municipal Buildings ---							
Expense	-0-	500.00	-0-	47.51	547.51	490.08	57.43
Heating	-0-	4,500.00	-0-	1,940.43	6,440.43	6,440.43	-0-
Electric Heat	-0-	4,500.00	-0-	-0-	4,500.00	4,500.00	-0-
Brox Building Renovation	991.65	-0-	-0-	-0-	991.65	991.65	-0-
Renovations Completed ---							
Brox Bldg. ART #24	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	1,000.00	117.86*	882.14
Total General Government	5,473.62	82,848.00	1,000.00	5,186.23	94,507.85	88,990.88	5,516.97
PUBLIC SAFETY							
Police Department ---							
Chief's Salary	-0-	20,306.00	-0-	-0-	20,306.00	19,992.00	314.00
Sergeant's Salary	-0-	15,406.00	-0-	-0-	15,406.00	15,346.56	59.44
Patrolmen	-0-	40,630.00	-0-	-0-	40,630.00	40,424.24	205.76
Night Premium	-0-	980.00	-0-	-0-	980.00	695.98	284.02
Paid Holidays	-0-	2,338.00	-0-	-0-	2,338.00	2,338.00	-0-

Court Time  
Overtime  
Expense  
Specials  
Crossing Guards  
Dispatcher Wages  
Dispatcher Expense  
Police Cruiser  
Portable Radio  
Fire Department Wages  
Fire Wardens  
Engineers Salaries  
Engineers Expense  
Civil Defense  
Fire Alarm Inspector  
Gas Inspector Salary  
Gas Inspector Expense  
Wiring Inspector Salary  
Wiring Inspector Expense  
Building Inspector Salary  
Building Inspector Expense  
Oil Burner Inspector Salary  
Oil Burner inspector Expense  
Tree Warden Salary  
Tree Warden Expense  
Insect Pest Control

Continued Appropriations 7/1/79	Appropriations		Receipts and (Transfers)	Total Budgeted 6/30/80	Expendi- itures	Balance 6/30/80
	General Budget	Special Articles				
-0-	3,935.00	-0-	-0-	3,935.00	3,900.75	34.25
-0-	2,080.00	-0-	250.00	2,330.00	2,259.76	70.24
-0-	10,000.00	-0-	2,640.00	12,640.00	12,639.04	.96
-0-	16,000.00	-0-	666.00	16,666.00	16,576.00	90.00
-0-	4,081.00	-0-	-0-	4,081.00	4,081.00	-0-
-0-	15,551.00	-0-	-0-	15,551.00	14,926.73	624.27
-0-	2,000.00	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	1,999.01	.99
-0-	-0-	650.00	-0-	650.00	-0-	650.00
-0-	14,400.00	-0-	-0-	14,400.00	14,400.00	-0-
-0-	200.00	-0-	-0-	200.00	200.00	-0-
-0-	2,700.00	-0-	-0-	2,700.00	2,700.00	-0-
-0-	13,035.00	-0-	87.50	13,122.50	13,110.66	11.84
758.24	350.00	-0-	-0-	1,108.24	20.00*	1,188.24
-0-	150.00	-0-	-0-	150.00	-0-	150.00
-0-	416.00	-0-	-0-	416.00	416.00	-0-
-0-	174.00	-0-	-0-	174.00	170.00	4.00
-0-	600.00	-0-	-0-	600.00	600.00	-0-
-0-	100.00	-0-	-0-	100.00	100.00	-0-
-0-	600.00	-0-	-0-	600.00	600.00	-0-
-0-	200.00	-0-	10.61	210.61	210.61	-0-
-0-	150.00	-0-	-0-	150.00	-0-	150.00
-0-	50.00	-0-	-0-	50.00	-0-	50.00
-0-	300.00	-0-	-0-	300.00	300.00	-0-
-0-	4,047.00	-0-	-0-	4,047.00	4,047.00	-0-
-0-	500.00	-0-	-0-	500.00	500.00	-0-

Dutch Elm	-0-	2,000.00	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	853.72	1,146.28
New Trees	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	787.00	213.00
Stump Removal	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-
Dog Officer Salary	-0-	1,250.00	-0-	-0-	1,250.00	-0-	1,250.00
Dog Officer Expense	-0-	1,050.00	-0-	-0-	1,050.00	30.00	1,020.00
Total Public Safety	758.24	177,579.00	650.00	3,654.11	182,641.35	175,224.06	7,517.29

HEALTH

Board of Health Expense	-0-	2,200.00	-0-	-0-	2,200.00	2,160.04	39.96
Food Service Inspector	-0-	300.00	-0-	-0-	300.00	166.00	134.00
Town Nurse Salary	-0-	2,500.00	-0-	-0-	2,500.00	2,500.00	-0-
Town Nurse Expense	-0-	200.00	-0-	-0-	200.00	8.83	191.17
Plumbing Inspector Salary	-0-	480.00	-0-	-0-	480.00	480.00	-0-
Sewerage & Health Inspector	-0-	2,100.00	-0-	-0-	2,100.00	1,619.40	480.60
Animal Inspector Salary	-0-	100.00	-0-	-0-	100.00	-0-	100.00
Animal Inspector Expense	-0-	15.00	-0-	-0-	15.00	-0-	15.00
Milk Inspector Salary	-0-	25.00	-0-	-0-	25.00	-0-	25.00
Milk Inspector Expense	-0-	15.00	-0-	-0-	15.00	-0-	15.00
Dump Upgrading	12,336.11	-0-	-0-	-0-	12,336.11	7,304.61*	5031.50
Sewer Comm. Salaries	-0-	600.00	-0-	-0-	600.00	600.00	-0-
Sewer Comm. Expense	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	568.61	431.39
Acquisition Land Easements —							
Sewer Lines	15,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	15,000.00	-0- *	15,000.00
Total Health	27,336.11	9,535.00	-0-	-0-	36,871.11	15,407.49	21,463.62

HIGHWAYS

Superintendent Salary	-0-	12,946.00	-0-	-0-	12,946.00	12,896.00	50.00
Highway Wages	-0-	37,545.00	-0-	-0-	37,545.00	34,389.63	3,155.37
Highway Overtime	-0-	8,610.00	-0-	-0-	8,610.00	2,497.12	6,112.88



	Continued Appropriations 7/1/79	Appropriations General Budget	Special Articles	Receipts and (Transfers)	Total Budgeted 6/30/80	Expendi- itures	Balance 6/30/80
Rd. Const. & Improv. 79-80	6,030.48	-0-	-0-	-0-	6,030.48	6,030.48	-0-
Rd. Const. & Improv. 80-81	17,627.00	-0-	11,295.00	-0-	28,922.00	17,627.00*	11,295.00
Thickly Settled	-0-	10,000.00	-0-	5.00	10,005.00	9,348.00	657.00
Road Machinery	-0-	10,000.00	-0-	80.50	10,080.50	8,257.78	1,822.72
Snow & Washouts	-0-	16,000.00	-0-	-0-	16,000.00	9,564.57	6,435.43
Repairs to Private Ways	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	905.94	94.06
Sidewalks, Railings, Bridges	-0-	2,000.00	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	1,061.05	938.95
Oiling Roads	-0-	10,000.00	-0-	-0-	10,000.00	10,000.00	-0-
Fuel	-0-	6,500.00	-0-	-0-	6,500.00	6,062.92	437.08
Backhoe	3,000.00	-0-	-0-	(30.00)	2,970.00	2,970.00	-0-
Sander	5,500.00	-0-	-0-	(621.70)	4,878.30	4878.30	-0-
Drainage - Glen Road	-0-	-0-	2,100.00	-0-	2,100.00	2,100.00	-0-
Total Highway	32,157.48	114,601.00	13,395.00	(566.20)	159,587.28	128,588.79	30,998.49

## PUBLIC ASSISTANCE

Council on Aging —							
Director's Salary	-0-	7,856.00	-0-	-0-	7,856.00	7,856.00	-0-
Clerk's Salary	-0-	3,120.00	-0-	-0-	3,120.00	1,364.00	1,756.00
Clerk's Expense	-0-	3,490.00	-0-	-0-	3,490.00	3,489.68	.32
Matching Funds #9095	2,770.29	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,770.29	2,770.29	-0-
Merrimac Valley Nutri. Project	.54	-0-	-0-	-0-	.54	.54	-0-
Veterans Benefits —							
Ordinary allowance	13,549.92	5,000.00	-0-	-0-	18,549.92	6,538.44*	12,011.48
Clerk's Salary	-0-	984.00	-0-	-0-	984.00	984.00	-0-
Veterans Service Off. Salary	-0-	1,229.00	-0-	-0-	1,229.00	1,229.00	-0-
Veterans Service Off. Expense	-0-	250.00	-0-	-0-	250.00	250.00	-0-

Care of Veterans Graves	-0-	124.00	-0-	-0-	124.00	124.00	-0-
Total Public Assistance	16,320.75	22,053.00	-0-	-0-	38,373.75	24,605.95	13,767.80
SCHOOLS							
Salaries and Wages	-0-	604,389.00	-0-	(3,033.69)	601,355.31	601,239.32	115.99
Expense	-0-	113,261.00	-0-	3,759.43	117,020.43	117,020.43	-0-
Chapter 766 SPED	-0-	161,269.00	-0-	(3,331.60)	157,937.40	157,937.40	-0-
Regional & Vocational							
Transportation and Tuition	-0-	41,500.00	-0-	1,212.22	42,712.22	42,712.22	-0-
Title I Project 79-180-037	3,208.68	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,208.68	3,208.68	-0-
Title I Project 80-180-037	-0-	-0-	-0-	43,400.00	43,400.00	36,800.33*	6,599.67
Title VIB 95-561	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,555.00	3,555.00	3,451.58*	103.42
Title VIB 94-142	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,300.00	11,300.00	11,098.46*	201.54
Cesar 403-2 95-207	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,120.00	8,120.00	7,820.83*	299.17
Pentucket Assessment	-0-	574,531.00	-0-	-0-	574,531.00	574,531.00	-0-
Whittier Assessment	-0-	166,394.00	-0-	(10,400.00)	155,994.00	155,994.00	-0-
Total Schools	3,208.68	1,661,344.00	-0-	54,581.36	1,719,134.04	1,711,814.25	7,319.79
LIBRARY							
Library Wages	-0-	29,360.00	-0-	-0-	29,360.00	29,358.11	1.89
Library Expense	-0-	11,270.00	-0-	276.92	11,546.92	11,294.01	252.91
Library Stained Glass Window	2,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,000.00	1,580.00	420.00
Grant ISCA Title I	-0-	-0-	-0-	5,400.00	5,400.00	4,431.60*	968.40
Grant CS-B-17 CH 78	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,575.75	1,575.75	1,575.75	-0-
Total Libraries	2,000.00	40,630.00	-0-	7,252.67	49,882.67	48,239.47	1,643.20
PARKS AND RECREATION							
Playground expense	-0-	6,010.00	-0-	-0-	6,010.00	5,554.90	455.10
Ballfield (Restitution)	368.39	-0-	-0-	-0-	368.39	368.39	-0-

	Continued Appropriations 7/1/79	Appropriations General Budget	Appropriations Special Articles	Receipts and (Transfers)	Total Budgeted 6/30/80	Expendi- itures	Balance 6/30/80
Soccer Field (Restitution)	-0-	-0-	-0-	180.00	180.00	-0- *	180.00
Soccer Field ART. #29	3,500.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,500.00	1,570.15*	1,929.85
Soccer Field	1,119.05	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,119.05	1,119.05	-0-
Supervised Play	-0-	2,212.00	-0-	-0-	2,212.00	2,010.00	202.00
Indian Head Park	-0-	1,800.00	-0-	-0-	1,800.00	1,719.56	80.44
Total Parks & Recreation	4,987.44	10,022.00	-0-	180.00	15,189.44	12,342.05	2,847.39
UNCLASSIFIED							
Kimball Park	208.52	-0-	-0-	-0-	208.52	56.00*	152.52
Essex County Retirement Assess.	-0-	61,600.00	-0-	-0-	61,600.00	61,600.00	-0-
State Veterans Pension Bill	-0-	743.00	-0-	-0-	743.00	742.46	.54
Property & Liability Insurance	-0-	45,788.00	-0-	-0-	45,788.00	45,788.00	-0-
Group Life Health Insurance	-0-	22,250.00	-0-	3,783.64	26,033.64	26,033.64	-0-
Various Payroll Deductions	-0-	-0-	-0-	(374,343.34)	-0-	-0-	-0-
Repairs to Tax Title Property	-0-	50.00	-0-	-0-	50.00	-0-	50.00
Ambulance Service	-0-	7,500.00	-0-	262.00	7,762.00	7,656.60	105.40
Memorial Day	-0-	500.00	-0-	-0-	500.00	372.61	127.39
American Legion	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	-0-	1,000.00	1,000.00	-0-
Conservation Commission	-0-	1,200.00	-0-	-0-	1,200.00	931.40	268.60
Vital Statistics	-0-	150.00	-0-	-0-	150.00	130.00	20.00
Printing Town Report	-0-	1,800.00	-0-	260.77	2,060.77	2,060.77	-0-
MVPC	-0-	849.00	-0-	-0-	849.00	849.00	-0-
Light in Town Buildings	-0-	15,402.00	-0-	9,570.00	24,972.74	24,972.74	-0-
Water in Town Buildings	-0-	980.00	-0-	-0-	980.00	855.18	124.82
Street Lighting	-0-	17,299.00	-0-	3,011.58	20,310.58	20,310.58	-0-
Audit	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	4,000.00	-0-



Historical Commission	2,217.13	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,217.13	-0-	*	2,217.13
Town Gardens	-0-	900.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	900.00	785.06		114.94
Reserve Fund	-0-	18,000.00	-0-	(17,637.42)	-0-	362.58	-0-		362.58
Engineers & Consultant Fees	1,658.32	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,658.32	1,658.32		-0-
Writing Town History	11,456.85	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,456.85	-0-	*	11,456.85
Historical Comm. Expense	2,115.07	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	2,115.07	204.81*		1,910.26
Growth Policy Commission	61.01	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	61.01	-0-	*	61.01
Brox Building Committee	300.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	-0-	300.00	-0-	*	300.00
Unemployment Compensation	-0-	8,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	8,000.00	7,728.36		271.64
Repair Town Hall Roof #1	2,152.80	-0-	0-	-0-	-0-	2,152.80	2,152.80		-0-
Repair Town Hall Roof #2 ART. #28	-0-	4,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	4,000.00	3,393.20*		606.80
Selectmen's Safe	700.00	-0-	-0-	(391.52)	-0-	308.48	308.48		-0-
Maturing Debt —									
Red Oak School	-0-	35,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	35,000.00	35,000.00		-0-
Water Wells	-0-	35,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	35,000.00	35,000.00		-0-
Stand Pipes	-0-	10,000.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	10,000.00	10,000.00		-0-
Interest on Maturing Debt —									
Red Oak School	-0-	11,025.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	11,025.00	11,250.00		-0-
Water Wells	-0-	14,945.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	14,945.00	14,945.00		-0-
Stand Pipes	-0-	3,355.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,355.00	3,355.00		-0-
Interest on Tax Anticipated Notes	-0-	1,000.00	-0-	800.00	-0-	1,800.00	1,671.86		128.14
Interest on Temp.Borrowing Sewer	-0-	-0-	58,000.00	-0-	-0-	58,000.00	-0-	*	58,000.00
Total Unclassified									

PUBLIC ENTERPRISE									
Light & Water Commiss. Salary	-0-	1,200.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	1,200.00	1,200.00		-0-
Water Department —									
Managers Salary	-0-	6,125.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	6,125.00	6,125.00		-0-
Clerks Salary	-0-	3,623.00	-0-	-0-	-0-	3,623.00	3,617.00		6.00

	Continued Appropriations 7/1/79	Appropriations General Budget	Special Articles	Receipts and (Transfers)	Total Budgeted 6/30/80	Expendi- itures	Balance 6/30/80
Wages	-0-	26,017.00	-0-	-0-	26,017.00	25,451.98	565.02
Expense	-0-	30,200.00	-0-	-0-	30,200.00	29,894.84	305.16
Excavation & Roadwork	-0-	5,209.00	-0-	-0-	5,209.00	2,308.90	2,900.10
Stand Pipe Repair	-0-	-0-	25,000.00	-0-	25,000.00	-0- *	25,000.00
Total PUBic Enterprises							
CEMETERY							
Cemetery Wages	-0-	11,250.00	-0-	-0-	11,250.00	11,250.00	-0-
Clerk	-0-	600.00	-0-	-0-	600.00	600.00	-0-
Trustees	-0-	150.00	-0-	-0-	150.00	150.00	-0-
Care, Improvement, Embellishment	1,015.75	-0-	-0-	1,850.00	2,865.25	1,015.75*	1,850.00
Total Cemetery	1,015.75	12,000	-0-	1,850.00	14,865.75	13,015.75	1,850.00
Total Raised & Appropriated							

BALANCES WITH ASTR.\*CARRIED ON TO NEXT YEAR

MERRIMAC MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
BALANCE SHEET  
DECEMBER 31, 1980

ASSETS:

Plant at Cost	791,187.80	
Accumulated Depreciation	350,288.71	
Depreciated Value of Plant		440,796.06
Cash for Operations		36,126.72
Investments		719.17
Capital Improvements Fund		261,068.15
Special Deposits		6,200.72
Accounts Receivable		26,844.48
Municipal Receivables		25,613.23
Materials and Supplies		15,001.94
Miscellaneous Assets		689.19
TOTAL ASSETS:		813,059.66

LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable		103,158.58
Customer Deposits		6,200.72
Construction Contributions		1,595.64
Miscellaneous Liabilities		940.38
Customer Liabilities		800.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		112,695.32
NET WORTH		700,364.34
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH		813,059.66

MERRIMAC MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
INCOME STATEMENT  
JANUARY 1, 1980 TO DECEMBER 31, 1980

REVENUE: SALE OF ELECTRICITY

Residential	568,660.49	
General Service	219,073.51	
Street Lighting	25,613.23	
Outdoor Lighting	9,180.73	
TOTAL SALES		822,527.96

REVENUE: MISCELLANEOUS

Forfeited Discounts	15,407.39	
Interest Received	19,809.26	
Miscellaneous & Rental Income	3,018.00	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS		38,234.65
TOTAL REVENUE		860,762.61



## OPERATING EXPENSES

Power Supply	665,959.38	
Funded Depreciation	22,413.89	
Distribution Maintenance	33,933.59	
Distribution Operations	20,819.11	
Meter Reading & Testing	7,437.11	
Recordkeeping & Collections	18,128.44	
Office Salaries	22,279.97	
Employee Pensions & Benefits	11,820.35	
Transportation Expense	7,413.32	
Injury and Damages	3,950.00	
Regulatory Commission Expense	2,012.23	
Office Supplies & Expenses	2,712.81	
Property Insurance	2,371.00	
General Expenses	1,530.66	
Interest Expenses	223.60	
Outside Services	8,612.80	
Rents	184.00	
Plant Maintenance	365.31	
TOTAL EXPENSES		832,167.57
INCOME FOR 1980		28,595.04

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac, Massachusetts:

I hereby submit my annual report of the activities of the Police Department for the year 1980.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 1980

General Services .....	6164
Assault & Battery .....	32
Breaking & Entering .....	83
Robbery .....	2
Larceny .....	138
Stolen Motor Vehicles .....	25
Recovered .....	23
Arson & Bomb Threats .....	7
Receiving Stolen Property .....	1
Vandalism .....	346
Weapons Violations .....	11
Sex Offenses & Attempts .....	5
Drug Law Violations .....	20
Violation of Liquor Laws .....	34
Disorderly Conduct .....	17
Officer Field Investigations .....	442
General Offenses .....	49
Trespassing .....	17
Civil Complaints .....	8
Juvenile Offenses .....	42
Violation of Town By-Laws .....	58
Missing Persons .....	12
Missing Property .....	88
Disturbances .....	298
Youth in Street .....	21
Noise Complaints .....	177
Annoying Phone Calls .....	29
Suspicious Activity .....	348
Officer Wanted .....	624
Escorts .....	226
Prisoner Transports .....	22
Assist Citizens .....	225
Breakdown Assists .....	171
Transportation Assists .....	54
Building Checks .....	672
Message Deliveries .....	412

Animal Complaints.....	389
Assist Municipal Agencies .....	287
Highway Department .....	83
Light & Water Department .....	151
Other .....	53
Emergency Services.....	29
Ambulance Calls.....	85
EMT Calls .....	123
Reported Deaths .....	1
Incapacitated Person .....	9
Fire Alarms .....	190
Burglar Alarms .....	218
Assist Other Police Departments .....	789
Motor Vehicle Complaints .....	485
Unlawful Operation of a Motor Vehicle .....	8
Speeding Complaints .....	43
Motor Vehicle Accidents.....	142
Number with Injuries (Four Deaths).....	36
Traffic Control .....	24
Abandoned Motor Vehicles .....	92
Intra-Department Services.....	49
Motor Vehicles Towed .....	84
Summons Served for this Police Department .....	44
Summons Served for Other Police Departments.....	64
Days in Superior Court .....	17
Chief .....	9
Officers .....	15
Days in District Court .....	151
Chief .....	107
Officers .....	146
Citations Issued for Motor Vehicles .....	392
Summons .....	311
Arrests.....	75
Warnings.....	6
Burning Permits Issued .....	98

#### NUMBER OF ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1980

Male Residents .....	44
Male Residents (Juvenile) .....	7
Female Residents.....	7
Female Residents (Juvenile) .....	1
Male Non-Residents .....	77
Male Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	5
Female Non-Residents .....	7
Female Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	3



PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FOR THE YEAR 1980

Male Residents .....	7
Male Non-Residents .....	4
Female Non-Residents .....	2

# COURT DISPOSITIONS

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	PROBATION	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	CONTINUED	DYS	FILED	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Assault & Battery w/dangerous weapon	1					1						
Assault & Battery on a Police Officer	9	1		1	5	1	1					\$500.00
Breaking & Entering (Nighttime)	12				4	1	1	1	2		2 Capias 1 Pending	
Breaking & Entering (Daytime)	4				1	1	1				1 Nol Pro.	
Larceny over \$100.00	15	2			3		2	1	2		3 Capias 1 Rest. 1 Pending	\$200.00
Larceny under \$100.00	9				2	3		2			1 Nol Pro. 1 Pending	
Uttering	2				1						1 Pending	
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At the present time the estimated completion date for the pipeline contracts is August, 1981 and December, 1981 for the WWTP. When the WWTP is completed, we will require that house connections be made to the collector system after which the plant operation will begin.

Much work still remains to the Board in setting up the betterment assessments, connection fees and the billing procedures for the user charges, all of which we expect to be doing in the coming year.

The Board wishes to express its appreciation to the citizens of Merrimac for their patience and understanding during the construction phase. We know there have been some inconveniences, particularly as streets were being dug up, but the very few number of legitimate complaints attests to your support of the project. For this we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Sewer Commissioners



## REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk for the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1980:

### BIRTHS

Number of Births recorded .....	51
Males .....	24
Females .....	27
Father, native born .....	51
Mother, native born.....	46
Father and Mother, both native born.....	46
Father and Mother, both foreign born.....	46
Mixed Parentage .....	0

### MARRIAGES

Number of Marriages recorded.....	32
First marriage of Groom .....	20
First marriage of Bride.....	21
Groom, native born.....	32
Bride, native born .....	31
Groom, foreign born.....	0
Bride, foreign born .....	1
Average age of Groom.....	32 years, 2 months, 0 days
Average age of Bride .....	29 years, 0 months, 0 days

### DEATHS

Number of Deaths recorded .....	30
Males .....	17
Females .....	13
Under five years .....	1
Males, native born.....	13
Females, native born .....	8
Of native parentage .....	20
Of mixed parentage .....	10
Average Age.....	64 years, 1 month, 0 days
Oldest Person .....	There were two at 97 years

### LICENSES

Number of Dogs Licensed .....	238
Males .....	212
Females .....	212
Kennel License.....	1
Sporting Licenses Issued .....	171
Minor's Sporting Licenses Issued .....	16

Respectfully submitted,  
DOROTHY A. CLOYD, Town Clerk



REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

February 20, 1981

To the Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Merrimac

I hereby submit my report as Treasurer of the Town of Merrimac for the  
year ending December 31, 1980.

PROOF OF BALANCE

Cash Book Balance — January 1, 1980	\$ 606,932.95
Receipts — 1980	7,675,612.68
	\$8,282,545.63
Disbursements — 1980	\$6,596,358.58
Cash Book Balance — December 31, 1980	1,686,187.05
	\$8,282,545.63

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Special Cash — Revenue Sharing Balance — January 1, 1980	\$ 142,386.14
Receipts — 1980	92,149.47
	\$ 234,535.61
Disbursements — 1980	\$ 103,957.12
Balance — December 31, 1980	130,578.49
	\$ 234,535.61

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Special Cash — Anti-Recession

Balance — January 1, 1980

\$ 90.48

Disbursements — 1980

\$ 90.48

Balance — December 31, 1980

\$ 0

Due to the late setting of the tax rate for fiscal 1981, it was necessary to borrow \$200,000.00 in anticipation of taxes. The interest on these notes was \$1480.55.

Interest received in 1980 through investment of General Cash and Revenue Sharing Funds was \$50,570.38. Interest received through investment of Trust Funds was \$33,360.17, making a total of interest earned in 1980 of \$83,930.55.

TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance — January 1, 1980

\$59,412.84

Added to Account in 1980

33,311.38

Payments received in 1980

-27,141.19

Foreclosed or Sold in 1980

-1,814.62

Abated or Disclaimed in 1980

-3,624.29

Balance — December 31, 1980

\$60,144.12

There were 3697 checks issued manually for bills owed by the town. The total payroll was \$1,318,961.90, with 323 persons receiving pay at some time during 1980.

Payments for all accounts for the HUD Community Development Program were administered through this office. In October funds were borrowed and invested to meet the obligations fo Step II of the Sewer Project.

Respectfully submitted,  
GERALDINE A. WALLACE  
Town Treasurer

## REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Merrimac, MA 01860

Submitted herewith is my annual report for the year 1980-81.

As Veterans' Agent, I have taken applications for benefits, taken assignments, allowed justified payments, issued warrants, issued food orders, obtained authorizations and reimbursements, and maintained records. I have filed required reports with the Commissioner of Veterans' Services, Boston, Mass.

As Veterans' Service Officer the accomplishments have been many as follows: Securing compensation, pensions, hospitalization, outpatient treatment, additional pension for the house-bound, educational benefits, home loans, insurance, affidavits, Medical records, annual income questionnaires, tax exemptions, burial allowances, power of attorneys, certificates of service, and many letters have been drafted and typed for veterans and their dependents. Grave markers and flags have been distributed as required.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and other Town Departments for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
HARRISON S. DeLONG  
Director of Veterans' Services



# MERRIMAC WATER DEPARTMENT

## Statement of Operations

July 1, 1979 - June 30, 1980

### Revenue

Water - Residential	101,348.80	
Water - Commercial	7,883.73	
Service Work	1,901.55	
Miscellaneous	<u>72.56</u>	
Total Revenue		111,206.64

### Expenditures

Managers Salary	6,125.00	
Office Salary	3,617.00	
Water Crew Wages	25,451.98	
Office Supplies	2,658.42	
Fuel - Heat	4,329.01	
Power Purchased	10,216.04	
Stock	6,641.83	
Transportation	1,524.55	
Engineering	135.00	
Bacterial Testing	1,121.07	
Miscellaneous Expense	594.42	
Roadway & Excavations	2,308.90	
Shan-no-corr	<u>2,674.50</u>	
Total Expenditures		67,397.72

### Water Project #1

Interim Borrowing Cost	536.67
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### Water Dept. Bonds

\$480,000 Issued 1-15-74	49,945.00
\$115,000 Issued 7-15-74	13,355.00

Total Bonds Costs	<u>63,300.00</u>
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Water Department Deficit (Raised through tax revenues)	20,027.75
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# REPORT OF REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

From: Ruth Parker, Whittier Representative

Richard M. Kay, Superintendent Director

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its eighth year. To date we have graduated 2037 students from a regular day school program and 339 students from our post secondary courses. Whittier Regional's goal is to train students for profitable employment and to provide social skills that will carry them through life as productive employees and concerned participants within their communities.

Whittier has been approached by representatives of the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission to provide off-school hours computer services to communities within the region. At this point, these services include maintenance and update of census, jury lists, street listings, dog lists, and other lists for a pilot approach to test viability. This initial approach has been enthusiastically endorsed by the Whittier School Committee. It is hoped that formal arrangements can be made as soon as possible in order to realize cost savings to communities of Whittier Regional.

The following is a list of our Day School Programs:

Air Conditioning and Refrigeration	Drafting
Auto Body	Electrical
Auto Repair	Fashion Design
Basic Electronics	Foods and Nutrition
Carpentry	Graphic Communications
Boat Building	Health Careers
Cabinet Making	Interior Design Aide
House Building	Machine Shop
Clothing and Textiles	Painting and Decorating
Commercial Art	Plumbing and Heating
Cosmetology	Satellite Program
Culinary Arts	Sheet Metal
Data Processing	Special Needs
Diesel Machine	Trowel Trades
Dietary Aide	Upholstery
Distributive Education	Welding

Evening School Offerings:

Apprentice Classes:

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Machine Shop
- Plumbing
- Welding (Ironworkers)

Trade Extension Classes:

- Auto Repair
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Machine Shop
- Plumbing
- Welding

Community Interest:

## Physical Fitness

## Auto Repair

## Evening Practical Arts:

## Arts and Crafts

## Chair Caning

## Clothing

## Creative Stitchery

## Draperies and Slipcovers

## Interior Design

## International Foods

# Knitting and Crocheting

## Oil Painting

## Quilting

## Silversmithing

## Welding

## Nurse's Aide

The enrollment for the Evening School from your community:

1979 Fall Semester

55

### The October 1, 1979 Day School Enrollment:

## 15 Boys

## 7 Girls

10

14

12

11

16

6

12

6

8

Total 84

Post Secondary — 2

1980 Graduates — 15

The cost to your community for the school year 1979-1980 was \$155,994.00.

Respectfully yours,  
RUTH PARKER  
Whittier Representative

RICHARD M. KAY  
Superintendent Director



MERRIMAC MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
BALANCE SHEET  
DECEMBER 31, 1980

ASSETS:

Plant at Cost	791,187.80	
Accumulated Depreciation	350,288.71	
Depreciated Value of Plant		440,796.06
Cash for Operations		36,126.72
Investments		719.17
Capital Improvements Fund		261,068.15
Special Deposits		6,200.72
Accounts Receivable		26,844.48
Municipal Receivables		25,613.23
Materials and Supplies		15,001.94
Miscellaneous Assets		689.19
TOTAL ASSETS:		813,059.66

LIABILITIES:

Accounts Payable		103,158.58
Customer Deposits		6,200.72
Construction Contributions		1,595.64
Miscellaneous Liabilities		940.38
Customer Liabilities		800.00
TOTAL LIABILITIES		112,695.32
NET WORTH		700,364.34
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH		813,059.66

MERRIMAC MUNICIPAL LIGHT DEPARTMENT  
INCOME STATEMENT  
JANUARY 1, 1980 TO DECEMBER 31, 1980

REVENUE: SALE OF ELECTRICITY

Residential	568,660.49	
General Service	219,073.51	
Street Lighting	25,613.23	
Outdoor Lighting	9,180.73	
TOTAL SALES		822,527.96

REVENUE: MISCELLANEOUS

Forfeited Discounts	15,407.39	
Interest Received	19,809.26	
Miscellaneous & Rental Income	3,018.00	
TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS		38,234.65
TOTAL REVENUE		860,762.61

## OPERATING EXPENSES

Power Supply	665,959.38	
Funded Depreciation	22,413.89	
Distribution Maintenance	33,933.59	
Distribution Operations	20,819.11	
Meter Reading & Testing	7,437.11	
Recordkeeping & Collections	18,128.44	
Office Salaries	22,279.97	
Employee Pensions & Benefits	11,820.35	
Transportation Expense	7,413.32	
Injury and Damages	3,950.00	
Regulatory Commission Expense	2,012.23	
Office Supplies & Expenses	2,712.81	
Property Insurance	2,371.00	
General Expenses	1,530.66	
Interest Expenses	223.60	
Outside Services	8,612.80	
Rents	184.00	
Plant Maintenance	365.31	
TOTAL EXPENSES		832,167.57
INCOME FOR 1980		28,595.04

## REPORT OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen and the Citizens of the Town of Merrimac, Massachusetts:

I hereby submit my annual report of the activities of the Police Department for the year 1980.

### POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR 1980

General Services .....	6164
Assault & Battery.....	32
Breaking & Entering .....	83
Robbery.....	2
Larceny .....	138
Stolen Motor Vehicles .....	25
Recovered .....	23
Arson & Bomb Threats .....	7
Receiving Stolen Property.....	1
Vandalism.....	346
Weapons Violations .....	11
Sex Offenses & Attempts .....	5
Drug Law Violations .....	20
Violation of Liquor Laws .....	34
Disorderly Conduct .....	17
Officer Field Investigations .....	442
General Offenses.....	49
Trespassing .....	17
Civil Complaints .....	8
Juvenile Offenses .....	42
Violation of Town By-Laws .....	58
Missing Persons.....	12
Missing Property.....	88
Disturbances .....	298
Youth in Street .....	21
Noise Complaints .....	177
Annoying Phone Calls.....	29
Suspicious Activity .....	348
Officer Wanted .....	624
Escorts.....	226
Prisoner Transports .....	22
Assist Citizens .....	225
Breakdown Assists .....	171
Transportation Assists .....	54
Building Checks .....	672
Message Deliveries .....	412



Animal Complaints.....	389
Assist Municipal Agencies .....	287
Highway Department .....	83
Light & Water Department .....	151
Other .....	53
Emergency Services.....	29
Ambulance Calls.....	85
EMT Calls .....	123
Reported Deaths .....	1
Incapacitated Person .....	9
Fire Alarms .....	190
Burglar Alarms .....	218
Assist Other Police Departments .....	789
Motor Vehicle Complaints .....	485
Unlawful Operation of a Motor Vehicle .....	8
Speeding Complaints .....	43
Motor Vehicle Accidents.....	142
Number with Injuries (Four Deaths).....	36
Traffic Control .....	24
Abandoned Motor Vehicles .....	92
Intra-Department Services.....	49
Motor Vehicles Towed .....	84
Summons Served for this Police Department .....	44
Summons Served for Other Police Departments.....	64
Days in Superior Court .....	17
Chief .....	9
Officers .....	15
Days in District Court .....	151
Chief .....	107
Officers .....	146
Citations Issued for Motor Vehicles .....	392
Summons .....	311
Arrests.....	75
Warnings.....	6
Burning Permits Issued.....	98

#### NUMBER OF ARRESTS FOR THE YEAR 1980

Male Residents .....	44
Male Residents (Juvenile).....	7
Female Residents.....	7
Female Residents (Juvenile) .....	1
Male Non-Residents .....	77
Male Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	5
Female Non-Residents .....	7
Female Non-Residents (Juvenile).....	3

PROTECTIVE CUSTODY FOR THE YEAR 1980

Male Residents .....	7
Male Non-Residents .....	4
Female Non-Residents .....	2

# COURT DISPOSITIONS

CATEGORY	NUMBER CHARGED	FINED	DISMISSED	NOT GUILTY	APPEALED	PROBATION	HOUSE OF CORRECTION	CONTINUED	DYS	FILED	OTHER	TOTAL FINES
Assault & Battery w/dangerous weapon	1					1						
Assault & Battery on a Police Officer	9	1		1	5	1	1					\$500.00
Breaking & Entering (Nighttime)	12				4	1	1	1	2		2 Capias 1 Pending	
Breaking & Entering (Daytime)	4				1	1	1				1 Nol Pro.	
Larceny over \$100.00	15	2			3		2	1	2		3 Capias 1 Rest. 1 Pending	\$200.00
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Uttering	2				1						1 Pending	
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Allowing Unreg. & Unins. MV to be oper.	1							1				
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Third, all easements and land acquisitions except for those required for three "add-on" streets and one through Commonwealth of Mass. land have been acquired. The easement through the Commonwealth land (the Lake Attitash Boat Ramp area) requires an act of the Legislature before the sewer line can be completed. The bill was filed on our behalf by Sen. Sharon Pollard in December 1980, and presently is awaiting scheduling for a hearing by the Committee on Natural Resources.

The five construction contracts totaled \$6,611,000 (rounded) which with the engineering services contract, contingency fund and certain necessary changes to contract No. 1 (WWTP) brings the total estimated project costs to \$7,872,000 (rounded). Since the construction contracts exceeded the previous engineering estimates, on which the grants from the (USEPA) and the Mass. Division of Water Pollution Control (MADWPC) were based, the Board has applied for an increase in these two grants. Those grant increases are expected to be \$297,254.00 from USEPA and \$59,451.00 from MaDWPC.

At the present time the estimated completion date for the pipeline contracts is August, 1981 and December, 1981 for the WWTP. When the WWTP is completed, we will require that house connections be made to the collector system after which the plant operation will begin.

Much work still remains to the Board in setting up the betterment assessments, connection fees and the billing procedures for the user charges, all of which we expect to be doing in the coming year.

The Board wishes to express its appreciation to the citizens of Merrimac for their patience and understanding during the construction phase. We know there have been some inconveniences, particularly as streets were being dug up, but the very few number of legitimate complaints attests to your support of the project. For this we are grateful.

Respectfully submitted,  
Board of Sewer Commissioners



REPORT OF THE TOWN CLERK

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

As Town Clerk for the Town of Merrimac, I hereby submit my annual report for the year 1980:

BIRTHS

Number of Births recorded .....	51
Males .....	24
Females .....	27
Father, native born .....	51
Mother, native born.....	46
Father and Mother, both native born.....	46
Father and Mother, both foreign born.....	46
Mixed Parentage .....	0

MARRIAGES

Number of Marriages recorded.....	32
First marriage of Groom .....	20
First marriage of Bride.....	21
Groom, native born.....	32
Bride, native born .....	31
Groom, foreign born.....	0
Bride, foreign born .....	1
Average age of Groom.....	32 years, 2 months, 0 days
Average age of Bride .....	29 years, 0 months, 0 days

DEATHS

Number of Deaths recorded .....	30
Males .....	17
Females .....	13
Under five years .....	1
Males, native born.....	13
Females, native born .....	8
Of native parentage .....	20
Of mixed parentage .....	10
Average Age .....	64 years, 1 month, 0 days
Oldest Person .....	There were two at 97 years

LICENSES

Number of Dogs Licensed .....	238
Males .....	212
Females .....	212
Kennel License.....	1
Sporting Licenses Issued .....	171
Minor's Sporting Licenses Issued .....	16

Respectfully submitted,  
DOROTHY A. CLOYD, Town Clerk

# REPORT OF TOWN TREASURER

February 20, 1981

To the Board of Selectmen and the  
Citizens of the Town of Merrimac

I hereby submit my report as Treasurer of the Town of Merrimac for the  
year ending December 31, 1980.

## PROOF OF BALANCE

Cash Book Balance — January 1, 1980	\$ 606,932.95
Receipts — 1980	7,675,612.68
	\$8,282,545.63
Disbursements — 1980	\$6,596,358.58
Cash Book Balance — December 31, 1980	1,686,187.05
	\$8,282,545.63

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Special Cash — Revenue Sharing Balance — January 1, 1980	\$ 142,386.14
Receipts — 1980	92,149.47
	\$ 234,535.61
Disbursements — 1980	\$ 103,957.12
Balance — December 31, 1980	130,578.49
	\$ 234,535.61

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Special Cash — Anti-Recession  
Balance — January 1, 1980

\$ 90.48

Disbursements — 1980

\$ 90.48

Balance — December 31, 1980

\$ 0

Due to the late setting of the tax rate for fiscal 1981, it was necessary to borrow \$200,000.00 in anticipation of taxes. The interest on these notes was \$1480.55.

Interest received in 1980 through investment of General Cash and Revenue Sharing Funds was \$50,570.38. Interest received through investment of Trust Funds was \$33,360.17, making a total of interest earned in 1980 of \$83,930.55.

#### TAX TITLE ACCOUNT

Balance — January 1, 1980

\$59,412.84

Added to Account in 1980

33,311.38

Payments received in 1980

-27,141.19

Foreclosed or Sold in 1980

-1,814.62

Abated or Disclaimed in 1980

-3,624.29

Balance — December 31, 1980

\$60,144.12

There were 3697 checks issued manually for bills owed by the town. The total payroll was \$1,318,961.90, with 323 persons receiving pay at some time during 1980.

Payments for all accounts for the HUD Community Development Program were administered through this office. In October funds were borrowed and invested to meet the obligations for Step II of the Sewer Project.

Respectfully submitted,  
GERALDINE A. WALLACE  
Town Treasurer



## REPORT OF DIRECTOR OF VETERANS' SERVICES

The Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Merrimac, MA 01860

Submitted herewith is my annual report for the year 1980-81.

As Veterans' Agent, I have taken applications for benefits, taken assignments, allowed justified payments, issued warrants, issued food orders, obtained authorizations and reimbursements, and maintained records. I have filed required reports with the Commissioner of Veterans' Services, Boston, Mass.

As Veterans' Service Officer the accomplishments have been many as follows: Securing compensation, pensions, hospitalization, outpatient treatment, additional pension for the house-bound, educational benefits, home loans, insurance, affidavits, Medical records, annual income questionnaires, tax exemptions, burial allowances, power of attorneys, certificates of service, and many letters have been drafted and typed for veterans and their dependents. Grave markers and flags have been distributed as required.

I wish to thank the Board of Selectmen and other Town Departments for their cooperation this past year.

Respectfully submitted,  
HARRISON S. DeLONG  
Director of Veterans' Services

# MERRIMAC WATER DEPARTMENT

## Statement of Operations

July 1, 1979 - June 30, 1980

Revenue		
Water - Residential	101,348.80	
Water - Commercial	7,883.73	
Service Work	1,901.55	
Miscellaneous	<u>72.56</u>	
Total Revenue		111,206.64
Expenditures		
Managers Salary	6,125.00	
Office Salary	3,617.00	
Water Crew Wages	25,451.98	
Office Supplies	2,658.42	
Fuel - Heat	4,329.01	
Power Purchased	10,216.04	
Stock	6,641.83	
Transportation	1,524.55	
Engineering	135.00	
Bacterial Testing	1,121.07	
Miscellaneous Expense	594.42	
Roadway & Excavations	2,308.90	
Shan-no-corr	<u>2,674.50</u>	
Total Expenditures		67,397.72
Water Project #1		
Interim Borrowing Cost		536.67
Water Dept. Bonds		
\$480,000 Issued 1-15-74	49,945.00	
\$115,000 Issued 7-15-74	13,355.00	
Total Bonds Costs		<u>63,300.00</u>
Water Department Deficit (Raised through tax revenues)		20,027.75

# REPORT OF REGIONAL VOCATIONAL TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL

To: The Honorable Board of Selectmen

From: Ruth Parker, Whittier Representative

Richard M. Kay, Superintendent Director

Whittier Regional Vocational Technical High School is entering its eighth year. To date we have graduated 2037 students from a regular day school program and 339 students from our post secondary courses. Whittier Regional's goal is to train students for profitable employment and to provide social skills that will carry them through life as productive employees and concerned participants within their communities.

Whittier has been approached by representatives of the Merrimack Valley Planning Commission to provide off-school hours computer services to communities within the region. At this point, these services include maintenance and update of census, jury lists, street listings, dog lists, and other lists for a pilot approach to test viability. This initial approach has been enthusiastically endorsed by the Whittier School Committee. It is hoped that formal arrangements can be made as soon as possible in order to realize cost savings to communities of Whittier Regional.

The following is a list of our Day School Programs:

Air Conditioning and Refrigeration	Drafting
Auto Body	Electrical
Auto Repair	Fashion Design
Basic Electronics	Foods and Nutrition
Carpentry	Graphic Communications
Boat Building	Health Careers
Cabinet Making	Interior Design Aide
House Building	Machine Shop
Clothing and Textiles	Painting and Decorating
Commercial Art	Plumbing and Heating
Cosmetology	Satellite Program
Culinary Arts	Sheet Metal
Data Processing	Special Needs
Diesel Machine	Trowel Trades
Dietary Aide	Upholstery
Distributive Education	Welding

Evening School Offerings:

Apprentice Classes:

- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Machine Shop
- Plumbing
- Welding (Ironworkers)

Trade Extension Classes:

- Auto Repair
- Carpentry
- Electrical
- Machine Shop
- Plumbing
- Welding



Trade Preparatory:	Community Interest:
Air Conditioning	Physical Fitness
Auto Body	
Auto Repair	Evening Practical Arts:
Basic Electronics	Arts and Crafts
Boat Building	Chair Caning
Carpentry	Clothing
Culinary Arts	Creative Stitchery
Data Processing	Draperies and Slipcovers
Diesel Machine	Interior Design
Drafting	International Foods
Graphic Communications	Knitting and Crocheting
Machine Shop	Oil Painting
Sheet Metal	Quilting
Trowel Trades	Silversmithing
Typing	
Upholstery	
Welding	
Nurse's Aide	

The enrollment for the Evening School from your community:

1979 Fall Semester	55
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The October 1, 1979 Day School Enrollment:

Grade	9	15 Boys	7 Girls
	10	14	12
	11	16	6
	12	6	8
Total 84			

Post Secondary — 2

1980 Graduates — 15

The cost to your community for the school year 1979-1980 was \$155,994.00.

Respectfully yours,  
 RUTH PARKER  
 Whittier Representative

RICHARD M. KAY  
 Superintendent Director

ANNUAL REPORT  
of the  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
of the  
TOWN OF MERRIMAC  
For The Year Ending  
December 31, 1980

In accordance with custom and with the Acts of the General Court, 1859, Chapter 57; we herewith submit to you the 110th annual printed school report.

RICHARD P. HAMEL, Chairman  
THOMAS F. PETTINGILL, Vice-Chairman  
BARBARA WARDEN, Secretary  
JOHN R. WALSH  
RHONDA OSBORNE

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EDITH A. CONN, R.N., School Nurse  
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Working Certificates are issued by the Guidance Department, Pentucket Regional High School, West Newbury, Mass.



# REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## ANNUAL REPORT 1980

To the Selectmen and the Citizens of Merrimac:

The Merrimac School Committee submits this report for the year 1980. For the educational program in Grades 7-12, please turn to the Pentucket Regional School Committee report. For vocational activities in the Whittier Regional Vocational-Technical School, of which this town is a member, please turn to the Whittier report.

Although this Committee is in charge of the Elementary grades only, this Committee summarizes the public school population for which the Town had responsibility (10-1-80).

### Elementary Pupils

Kindergarten	78
Grades 1-6	452
Tuitioned Out (Sp.Ed.)	5

### Pentucket Regional

Grades 7-9	216
Grades 10-12	175

### Whittier Vocational

Grades 9-12	109
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Priority was placed on several objective areas this academic year. To date, we have achieved a measure of success in providing a smooth transition for the third grade in their new location at the Red Oak School; in the examination of textbooks in Science; in improved Special Education programming; and in improved Title I support services.

This year, the School Committee spent many hours developing an annual plan of goals and objectives, designed to provide direction for themselves, the administration and the staff during the school year. The plan was designed to pinpoint areas where improvement is needed and does not encompass all activities associated with the schools. The plan was developed from the philosophy and goals of the system and an assessment of the degree to which these goals are being met as perceived by community, teachers, administrators, parents and School Committee.

The assessment process this past year included an exchange of views through both citizen and teacher advisory forums, written reports by the administration and School Committee, and communication with various publics.

The Goals are:

Budget

To develop a budget which provides the resources for excellence in the instructional programs at the most reasonable cost.

Energy

To maintain the facilities necessary to provide excellence in instructional programs at the lowest cost possible.

Grade Level Organization (K-6)

To provide the best educational program possible for the students of Merrimac at the least possible expense to the community.

Labor Negotiations

To continue to develop good working relationships between the School Committee and the employees of the school system.

Evaluation

To improve the present procedures for the evaluation of personnel.

Basic Skills — Math

To ensure that every student receives effective instruction in the basic skills in each grade.

Basic Skills — Communications Skills

To ensure that every student receives effective instruction in reading, writing, speaking and listening at every grade level.

Curriculum

To ensure that an adequate array of programs is available to provide for the optimum development of pupil abilities.

To ensure a continuing comprehensive review of the current program offerings, area by area, grades K-6 and recommend any action plans for revision.

Community Relations

To improve communications with the general public on school-related matters through the establishment of a variety of activities.

Respectfully submitted,  
JOAN D. STIPETIC, Ph.D.  
Superintendent of Schools

1980-1981

August 29	Orientation - New Teachers
September 1	Labor Day - Schools Closed
2*	All Teachers in School
3*	Staff Development for All Staff
4	Schools Open for Pupils Grades 1-6
5	Schools Open for All Pupils
	(Provides for additional Kindergarten screening.)
October 13	Columbus Day - Schools Closed
November 7*	Parent Conferences - Elementary Schools
11	Veterans' Day - Schools Closed
26-27-28	Thanksgiving Holiday - Schools Closed At Noon on 26th
December 24- January 2	Christmas Holiday - Schools Open January 5
15	Martin Luther King Day - Schools Closed
February 16- 20	Washington's Birthday - Schools Closed - Winter Vacation
April 3*	Parent Conferences - Elementary Schools
17	Good Friday - Schools Closed
20- 24	Patriots' Day - Spring Vacation - Schools Closed
May 25	Memorial Day - Schools Closed
June 19	Last Day for Pupils

No snow days are built into the calendar. If snow days are needed, the school year will be extended during the week of June 22.

Five 1/2 days are built into the calendar for staff development:  
September 30, October 29, January 29, March 24, May 20.

Quarters End: November 7, January 23, April 3, June 19

\*Calendar contains 180 days for pupils and 184 days for teachers.



DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF 1980-81

Position	Name	Training	Total Years Experience	Years In Merrimac
Red Oak School & Helen R. Donaghue School Principal Red Oak School & Helen R. Donaghue School Asst. Prin.	Annette A. Autiello Angela Jervey	B.S. Suffolk University 1966 B.S. Salem State College 1972	15 8.6	13 8.6
INTERMEDIATE UNIT:	Richard Jervey Dawn Rae Allen Roy M. Campbell Mary H. Coughlin Nancy W. Deminie Agnes Dydowicz Mary Jane Lane Edward Martin John L. Randall, III Rosalie M. Scher Jane S. Cunniffe	B.S. North Adams State College 1972 B.S. Salem State College 1969 B.S. Gordon College 1971 M.A. Salem State College 1964 B.A. University of N.H. 1953 A.B. College of New Rochelle 1962 B.S. Salem State College 1974 B.S. Salem State College 1965 B.Ed. Keene Teachers College 1962 B.S. Farmington Teachers College M.Ed. University of Mass. 1977	6 13 10 19 22 5 7 15 19 14 13	6 13 10 12 22 3.5 7 15 12 11 13
PRIMARY UNIT:	Ann L. Munro Shirley Cossar  Glenn M. Allison Jean M. Antczak Ellen C. Bettencourt Linda M. Brackett Linda M. Gilmartin Constance L. Gordon	B.S. Salem State College 1976 B.S. Salem State College 1962  B.S. Boston State College 1975 B. S. Salem State College 1970 B.S. Lowell State College 1972 M.Ed. Suffolk University 1975 B.S. Salem State College 1971 B.S. University of Maine 1969	4.5 1  6 11 9 11 10 12	2.5 Began 9/1/80 6 11 9 11 10 12

Position	Name	Training	Total Years Experience	Years In Merrimac
Art - Donaghue School Art - Red Oak Vocal Music Instrumental Music	Ellen G. Meredith	M.A. University of Conn. 1964	8	4
	Barbara M. Taylor	B.S. Gordon College 1967	14	13
	Martha A. Williams	B.S. State College at Westfield 1971	7	7
Special Education Special Education Speech Therapist Reading T.P.M.H.	Nancy Perkins	M.Ed. University of Mass. 1949	22	17
	Arline Hirsh	B.S. University of N.H. 1967	6	1
	Veronica E. Laite	B.A. Madonna College, Mich. 1967	17	11
Adjustment Counselor Adjustment Counselor	Margaret Dyer	B.Mu.Ed. University of N.H. 1978	1	Res. 11/26/80
	Shirley L. Southwick	A.B. Boston University 1955	10	7
	Brenda Moskowitz	B.S. Keene State College 1971	8	1
Behavior Modification Phys. Ed. - Red Oak Phys. Ed. - Donaghue	Deborah Kent	B.S. Boston University 1970	8	1
	Lois Barnes	M.Ed. Keene State College 1975	10	3
	Susan Belmont	M.Ed. University of Lowell 1979	4	L/A 12/31/80 6/31/81
Title IVB - Special Needs Teacher District Psychologist	Lucia A. DePamphilis	M.Ed. Salem State College 1970	12	12
	Karen Sands	B.S. Boston University 1971	3	Began 10/13/80
	Ralph Giles	B.S. University of Maine 1975	4	3
Services Provided Through Outside Funding				
	Nancy Hennigar	B.S. Ithaca College, N.Y. 1975	5	2
	Brian Locke	B.S. Bridgewater State College 1978	1	Began 9/1/80
	Marijane Sternberg	B.S. Lesley College 1980	5	Began 11/14/80
	Carol Vatz	C.A.G.S. Boston University 1974		1

# MERRIMAC SCHOOL COMMITTEE

## 1982 FY BUDGET

Voted 3-18-81

	Appropriated 1981	Requested 1982
1000 SERIES - ADMINISTRATION		
1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE		
114 Contracted Services	\$ 3,600	\$ 3,566
116 Other Expenses	2,103	2,022
1200 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE		
111 Salaries, Professional	13,993	10,660
112 Salaries, Non-Professional	9,776	9,776
114 Contracted Services	600	600
115 Supplies and Materials	1,000	1,000
116 Other Expenses	800	800
2000 SERIES - INSTRUCTION		
2200 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE		
111 Administrative Salaries	46,342	44,827
112 Salaries, Non-Professional - Clerical/Secretarial	15,796	14,906
114 Contracted Services	1,175	1,175
115 Supplies and Materials	700	700
116 Other Expenses	900	500
2300 TEACHING		
111 Salaries, Professional	472,548	439,564
113 Salaries, Non-Professional (IPI Aides)	None	None
114 Contracted Services	2,400	750
115 Supplies and Materials	13,000	8,000
116 Other Expenses	350	None
2400 TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS		
115 a) Textbooks	10,160	5,885
b) Workbooks	14,530	8,000
2500 LIBRARY AND INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA		
113 Media Technicians	8,800	4,800
115 Library Supplies	550	550



## 2600 AUDIO-VISUAL SERVICES

115 Supplies and Materials	565	None
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## 3000 SERIES - OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

### 3200 HEALTH

111 Salaries, Professional	15,387	13,717
115 Supplies and Materials	375	350
116 Other Expenses	175	100

### 3300 TRANSPORTATION

114 Contracted Services	42,000	44,500
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### 3400 FOOD SERVICES

113 Salaries, Non-Professional		
Manager 1/2 Salary	3,340	None
Lunch Aides	9,075	None

## 4000 SERIES - OPERATION & MAINTENANCE OF PLANT

### 4110 CUSTODIAL SERVICES

113 Salaries, Non-Professional	49,260	47,860
115 Supplies and Materials	5,500	4,500

4120 HEAT OF BUILDINGS	43,000	49,100
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4130 UTILITY SERVICES	2,900	3,050
Supt.'s Office	900	900

### 4210 MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS

114 Contracted Services	1,750	1,200
115 Supplies	250	250
116 Other	200	None

### 4220 MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS

114 Contracted Services	19,900	18,500
115 Supplies and Materials	3,500	2,500

### 4230 MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT

114 Contracted Services	1,900	1,900
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## 7000 SERIES - ACQUISITION OF FIXED ASSETS

### 7300 ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT

118 Library Books	1,800	None
118 Equipment-Red Oak	670	None
118 Equipment-Helen R. Donaghue	648	None

7400 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT

Red Oak	665	None
Helen R. Donaghue	700	None
Supt.'s Office	600	None

9000 PROGRAMS WITH OTHER DISTRICTS - VOCATIONAL

114 Tuition	100	100
	\$824,783	\$746,608

CHAPTER 766

2100 SUPERVISION

121 Salaries, Professional	\$ 4,237	\$ 4,237
122 Salaries, Non-Professional	1,517	1,517
125 Supplies and Materials	500	500
126 Other Expenses	766	766

2300 INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES

121 Salaries, Professional	114,505	91,127
122 Salaries, Non-Professional-Clerk/Typist	7,120	5,198
124 Contracted Services	700	500
125 Supplies and Materials	1,300	1,000
126 Other Expenses	700	500

2400 TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS	1,000	750
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2800 EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES

121 Salaries, Professional	300	200
124 Contracted Services	800	700

3200 HEALTH SERVICES	500	350
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3300 TRANSPORTATION	16,630	20,100
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7300 ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT	800	None
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9000 OTHER SCHOOL PROGRAMS/TUITION

	20,480	28,610
	\$171,855	\$156,055

Total Regular School Budget and Chapter 766

	\$996,138	\$902,663
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	1981	1982
Elementary School Budget	\$782,183	\$702,008
Chapter 766	171,855	156,055
School Transportation	42,000	44,500
Vocational (Ch. 74)	100	100
	\$996,138	\$902,663





REPORT OF THE  
PENTUCKET REGIONAL DISTRICT  
SCHOOL COMMITTEE  
For The  
YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1980

In accordance with Chapter 71, Section 16K, the Pentucket Regional District School Committee submits its 26th annual report to each of the towns.

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MRS. JANICE B. PISANO, R.N., School Nurse  
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Working Certificates issued by:  
Guidance Department, Pentucket Regional High School,  
West Newbury, Mass.



## PENTUCKET REGIONAL DISTRICT SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To: The Selectmen and Citizens of Groveland, Merrimac and West Newbury

The Pentucket Regional District School Committee submits this report to you for the 1980 Fiscal Year. The School Committee believes that all youth have a right to educational opportunities of a quality and caliber which will develop their potential as individuals and as citizens in a democratic society. This education must be accomplished at a cost in keeping with the best principles of fiscal management and responsibility to the taxpayers.

Each student will be provided the following opportunities in pursuit of the objectives already stated.

1. To master the basic intellectual skills of reading, writing, computation, speaking and listening.
2. To acquire the knowledge and habits of thoughts necessary to understand both our cultural and scientific heritage and the contemporary world.
3. To foster individual attitudes and to develop skills and attitudes that will promote success in post-secondary education and the world of work.
4. To foster the development of creative abilities and cultural interests to promote the wise and productive use of leisure time.
5. To develop and promote those habits of good health and physical activity that are conducive to a long and productive life.
6. To foster in each student a strong sense of self-respect and a commitment to respect and protect the rights of others.

In pursuit of the objectives and goals, the School Committee will:

Establish a minimum of competency requirements and provide flexible methods for students who do not meet these requirements to achieve them.

Identify staff development needs through systematic assessment procedures and begin a program of staff development based on identified needs for both teaching staff and administrative staff.

Establish a textbook policy which will provide for a current inventory of all instructional texts and a procedure for the evaluation and selection of future instructional materials.

Develop a Student Handbook providing information on school regulations and resources emphasizing students' rights as well as responsibilities.

Continue the preparation of the FY82 budget emphasizing program budgeting.

Examine the opportunities available for gifted and talented students, both at the high school and junior high, and begin to develop programs.

Provide planned articulation for those content areas that span junior and senior high with an emphasis on English, Math, Social Studies and Science initially.

Establish a facilities study committee for the senior high to examine major renovation possibilities in conjunction with the district's projection to seek State School Construction funds. (Items to be considered--program accessibility, accreditation requirements as per last visitation, pending sewer, energy needs, asbestos removal.)

Examine procedures with regard to all aspects of Special Education. Institute a systematic evaluation of all special education programs and develop plans to address the recommendations.

Provide for funds to cover implementation of mandates from Massachusetts State Department of Education which do not carry funding such as testing, physical education, health education, and gifted programs where possible.

Provide for the coordination of a planned public information program as well as a parent and staff newsletter.

Organize parent and teacher advisory groups as a means for improving communications.

Develop a curriculum needs analysis plan to be used in establishing curriculum priorities. Increase efforts and activities assuring citizen involvement in curriculum decision making.

Assure that the district receives its fair share of federal and state monies by providing for the services of a specialist or other trained person to spend part or all of his/her time finding funding, writing proposals and coordinating already awarded program funding.

Review existing teacher/classroom observation system and develop procedures and instrumentation for classroom observations.

Provide inservice for administrators in use of mutual goal settings for improved instruction.

Examine procedures for reduction in staff which may be necessary in some areas in spring of 1981.

Reassign tasks for maximum utilization of personnel skills and maximum financial efficiency.

Develop a long-range, maintenance-of-plant schedule that includes provisions for an energy audit and long-range improvements through matching funds.

Examine the present school-based system of accounts and prepare guidelines and accountability procedures for maintenance of school accounts.

Examine, update and issue required purchasing policies and procedures as guidelines for use throughout the district.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pentucket Regional School Committee

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CLASS OF 1980 GRADUATES — MERRIMAC

Belinda Sue Allen  
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Stephen Lane

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Jill Ann LeBrun  
Edward F. Madden  
Richard Mathieu  
Robert Merritt  
Jeffrey Edward Mills  
Judith Lynn Newell  
Steven P. Orme  
Christopher J. Pearson  
Janet Perkins  
Jennifer Pierce  
Mark Evan Randall  
Jodi-Anne Sheehan  
Christopher B. Sheehy  
Roland E. Spinney  
Steven Gene Stepanian  
Sheila Marie Sweet  
Elizabeth A. True  
Jennifer Jean Walker  
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Joshua Atherton Willman  
Phillip Alan Wise

DIRECTORY OF SCHOOL STAFF FOR 1979-1980

PENTUCKET REGIONAL JUNIOR-SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
Principal High School	Alexander S. Johnston	M.S. University of Mass. 1957	10
Assistant Principal Sr. H.S.	Bertram D. Fecteau	M.Ed. Boston University 1955	15
Principal Jr. High School	Francis J. Ferreira	M.Ed. Salem State college 1964	20
Assistant Principal Jr. H.S.	William H. Whiting	M.Ed. Northeastern University 1961	20
Guidance Director	Ruth E. Godin	C.A.G.S. Northeastern University 1977	2
Guidance	Kenneth B. Wood	M.Ed. Salem State College 1964	18
Guidance	Beryl Bagni	B.S. University of Mass. 1948	11
Guidance	John J. O'Wril	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1963	13
Guidance	Michael A. Wartman	C.A.G.S. Springfield College 1969	2
Guidance	Joy A. Knoieczko	M.Ed. Northeastern University 1979	Began 9/1/79
Guidance/Career Ed.	Frank J. Orlando	M.Ed. Salem State College 1977	10
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Laura J. Carley	B.S. Bridgewater State College 1967	13
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Nancy L. Hurld	B.A. Lea College, Minnesota 1972	7
Girls' Phys. Ed.	Marilyn L. Peacock	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1965	9
Boys' Phys. Ed. (Dept. Head)	Thomas J. Flaherty	M.A.T. Brown University 1961	17
Boys' Phys. Ed.	Raymond E. Stickney	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1964	16
Boys' Phys. Ed.	Paul B. Hughes	B.S. Northeastern Michigan University 1972	5
English (Dept. Head, H.S.)	Ronald L. Fenerty	M.Ed. University of New Hampshire 1969	19
English	Stephen Voltero	B.S. Merrimack College 1962	16
English	Helen M. McKittrick	M.A. Wesleyan University 1973	11
English	Mary K. Gaffney	B.S. Boston College 1963	9
English (Part Time)	Judith M. Hays	B.A. Glenville State College 1962	Began 12/12/79
English	Richard L. Canepa	M.Ed. Salem State College 1967	16
English (Dept. Head, Jr. H.)	Albert E. Belanger	M.A.T. Salem State College 1974	14
English	Janice A. Fowler	B.S. Northeastern University 1967	13
English	William J. Martin	B.S. Northeastern University 1966	14
English	Lawrence W. Faye	B.A. Merrimack College 1970	8
English	Jeffrey L. Hogan	M.A. University of New Hampshire 1971	9
English	Mary E. Parry	B.S. Salem State College 1960	10

Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
English	Kevin M. Sherry	B.A. Salem State College 1978	Began 10/10/79
English	Antonio J. Marino, Jr.	M.Ed. Salem State College 1974	7
English	Dorothy A. Rostosky	B.S. Lyndon Teachers College 1963	13
English	William B. Normand	M.Ed. Salem State College 1966	10
Reading	H. June Denault	B.S. Salem State College 1970	10
Reading	Kathleen Owens	M.Ed. Salem State College 1978	11
Reading	Marijane V. Natalie	M.Ed. Salem State College 1973	8
Reading	Patricia G. DiMauro	M.Ed. University of Lowell 1978	1
Reading	Catherine L. Dower	B.A. Salem State College 1970	9
German (Lang. Dept. Head)	Richard H. Olson	M.A. Middlebury College 1967	10
German	Inge M. Buerger	M.A. University of New Hampshire 1970	4
German (Part Time)	Carol S. June	B.A. Middlebury College 1966	2
French	Roger Roy	B.A. Marist College 1964	15
French	John E. Durant	A.B. St. Anslem's College 1963	12
French/German (Part Time)	Yvette Goulet	B.A. University of New York 1976	Began 9/1/79
Spanish	Mary Ellen Sullivan	B.A. University of Maine 1973	2
Spanish	Hazel W. Owen	A.B. Boston University 1941	17
Phys. Science (Dept. Hd., H.S.)	Robert F. Knights	M.Ed. Harvard University 1952	22
Bio. Science (Dept. Hd., H.S.)	Melvin H. Pollack	M.Ed. Boston University 1963	22
Science	Joseph J. Derro, Jr.	B.S. North Carolina State 1954	22
Science	Dudley W. Baldwin	M.S. Worcester Polytechnic Institute	16
Science	David D. Moore	M.S. Clarkson College 1970	Res. 6/30/80
Science (Dept. Head, Jr. H.S.)	Robert E. Anton	M.S. Boston College 1974	15
Science	James C. Connor	M.Ed. Boston University 1971	15
Science	Mildred E. Kelley	M.Ed. University of Maine 1971	L/A 1979-1980
Science	Edward W. Monroe	M.A. Salem State College 1977	11
Science (Part Time)	Brian Locke	B.S. Bridgewater State College 1978	Began 9/1/79
Science	Stephen H. Meline	M.S. Boston College 1974	10
Science	Harold W. Hutckins	M.A. Dartmouth College 1980	9.5
Science	Walter D. Clark	B.S. Texas A.&M. University 1964	10
Social Studies (D.H., Sr. H.S.)	Joseph Sherry	M.Ed. Salem State College 1967	17
Social Studies	Herman T. Diehl, Jr.	B.S. University of Maine 1961	12



Position	Name	Training	Total Years at Pentucket
Social Studies	Marilyn Hershfield	M.S. Boston University 1946	13
Social Studies	Carolee Miller	B.A. Northeastern University 1975	2
Social Studies	Stephen E. Denihan	A.B. Merrimack College 1963	Res. 1/25/80
Social Studies	Thomas E. Meyers	B.A. Merrimack College 1979	Began 1/28/80
Social Studies (D.H., Jr. H.S.)	Minas Dakos	M.Ed. Salem State College 1969	17
Social Studies	Robert P. Ruskowski	B.S. Salem State College 1965	15
Social Studies	David G. Buckley	B.A. Gordon College 1963	14
Social Studies	George P. Michaelias	B.S. Salem State College 1966	13
Social Studies	David E. Morse	B.S. Springfield College 1968	12
Social Studies	Wayne C. Sylvester	M.S. University of Wisconsin 1971	9
Social Studies	Richard W. Dower	A.B. State College at Westfield 1970	7
Math (Dept. Head, H.S.)	Arnold G. Zins	B.A. Amherst College 1954	21
Mathematics	Nancy A. Allison	M.S. Clarkson College 1973	12
Mathematics	Dana B. Allison	B.A. Salem State College 1970	9
Mathematics	Nelda I. Denihan	B.S. Salem State College 1970	10
Math (Dept. Head, Jr. H.S.)	Raymond L. MacNeil	M.Ed. Salem State College 1967	18
Mathematics	Alan L. Mason	B.S. Salem State College 1965	13
Mathematics	David H. Bickum	M.Ed. Western Conn. State College 1969	11
Mathematics	Janice M. Hegan	B.A. Salem State College 1970	10
Mathematics	George J. DeLawrence	B.S. Salem State College 1958	12
Mathematics	Joyce E. Stoehr	B.Ed. Plymouth State College 1968	12
Mathematics	Dianne F. Shaheen	B.S. Salem State College 1972	8
Business (Dept. Head)	Donna Lynch	B.S. Salem State College 1969	11
Business	Leila R. Gilbert	B.A. Salem State College 1976	4
Business	Clare Crist	B.S. Salem State College 1978	2
Business	Harriet L. Mannion	M.Ed. University of Maine 1973	2
Business	William T. Loughlin	B.B.S. New Hampshire College 1966	13
Business (Part Time)	Kathleen M. Flanigan	B.S. Salem State College 1970	8
Industrial Arts (D.H., Sr. H.S.)	Donald Pinciaro	M.Ed. Fitchburg State College 1974	16
Industrial Arts	Thomas R. Pelletier	B.S. University of So. Maine 1976	Began 10/1/79
Industrial Arts	James D. Schultz	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1961	Res.10/1/79
Industrial Arts (D.H., Jr. H.S.)	Michael A. Babin	M.Ed. Fitchburg State College 1973	12

Industrial Arts	John P. Faucher	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1976	Began 9/1/79
Industrial Arts	Daniel T. McCarthy	B.S. Fitchburg State College 1969	11
Industrial Arts	Lawrence W. Cochran, Jr.	B.S. Worcester Polytechnic Inst. 1960	6
Home Economics (Dept. Head)	Gail T. Snell	B.S. University of Maine 1960	6
Home Economics (Part Time)	Joan Boussu	Assoc. So. Dakota University 1948	Began 9/1/79
Home Economics	Jean H. Lowe	B.S. Framingham State College 1969	Resigned 4/3/80
Home Economics	Virginia Pimperal	B.S. University of Maine 1979	Began 4/7/80
Home Economics	Julia M. Martines	B.S. Framingham State College 1975	5
Home Economics	Anne Marie Murphy	B.S. Misericordia College, Pa. 1975	4
Home Economics	Bruce E. Franson	B.M.E. University of Nebraska 1968	3
Music (Dept. Head)	Joan F. Slagle	B.M.E. Youngstown University 1966	Resigned 1/2/80
Vocal Music	Francis R. D'Angelo	B.M.E. University of Lowell 1979	Began 1/2/80
Vocal Music	Francesco T. Esile	M.M.Ed. Lowell State College 1970	17
Vocal Music	Robert W. Howard	B.S. Lowell State College 1962	14
Music and Band	Peter Bodge	B.A. University of New Hampshire 1960	7
Art (Dept. Head)	Anne Costello	M.A. Columbia University 1959	Began 10/10/79
Art	Nancy A. Norton	M.A.T. Assumption College 1962	L/A 1979-1980
Art	Susan M. Dougherty	B.A. Michigan State University 1967	.6.5
Art	Deborah Rogers	B.F.A. University of Michigan 1969	4
Art	Bruce Wood	M.A. Northern Arizona University 1976	2
Art (Part Time)	Ruth N. Parker	A.B. Coker College 1942	22
Librarian - Sr. H.S.	Sheila M. Callahan	B.A. Lowell State College 1971	8
Librarian - Jr. H.S.	Joseph L. D'Agata	M.Ed. Northeastern University 1973	4
Adjustment Counselor			
Teacher of Special Needs/			
Reading (Dept. Head)	Barbara E. Voight	M.Ed. Boston College 1974	4.5
Teacher of Special Needs	Mary E. Kroesser	B.A. Clark University 1975	Began 9/1/79
Teacher of Special Needs	Barbara A. Markt	B.A. University of Massachusetts 1977	Began 9/1/79
Speech Therapy (Part Time)	Hilary M. H. Skovron	M.S. College of Saint Rose 1977	3
District Phychologist (P.T.)	Carol Vatz	C.A.G.S. Boston University 1974	Began 11/26/79

PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
TREASURER'S REPORT  
Reconciliation of Cash

Cash Balance - July 1, 1979	\$ 405,205.54
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Receipts

Assessments to the Towns	\$1,903,050.00	
Comm. of Mass. Reimbursements	1,443,527.75	
U.S. Government Grants	137,318.02	
Payroll Deductions	966,189.04	
School Lunch Program Fund	159,400.09	
Athletic Revolving Fund	5,261.50	
Tuition	11,393.00	
Miscellaneous Receipts	11,276.83	
Refunds and Reimbursements	59,945.22	
Interest Income	<u>7,275.12</u>	<u>4,704,636.57</u>
		\$5,109,842.11

Expenditures

Maintenance and Operation	\$3,395,122.32	
Payroll Deduction Payments	965,265.17	
School Lunch Program Fund	177,043.67	
Athletic Revolving Fund	11,664.42	
Federal Programs	120,958.66	
Excess & Deficiency	<u>147,472.64</u>	<u>\$4,806,785.16</u>
		<u>\$ 303,056.95</u>

Receipts

Town Assessments:		
Groveland	893,269.00	
Merrimac	574,531.00	
West Newbury	<u>435,250.00</u>	1,903,050.00
Comm. of Mass. Reimbursements:		
Aid to Regional Schools	69,468.75	
Chapter 70	612,686.00	
Chapter 71 S 16 D	648,893.00	
Chapter 71 Transportation	104,781.00	
Chapter 71B Special	4,115.00	
Title IVB	<u>3,584.00</u>	1,443,527.75



U.S. Government Grants:

P.L. #874	11,210.02	
L.E.A. Incentive Grant	7,900.00	
80-745-505-092-2	15,503.00	
80-745-505-093-2	10,579.00	
80-745-505-094-2	4,943.00	
80-745-213-N	11,977.00	
80-745-217-N	22,503.00	
80-745-318-AV	35,928.00	
80-745-356-N	<u>16,755.00</u>	137,318.02

Payroll Deductions:

Federal Withholding	343,662.72	
Mass. Withholding	108,375.32	
Pioneer Credit Union	294,827.50	
Annuities	31,412.50	
United Fund	40.00	
Health Insurance	55,410.05	
Life Insurance	628.70	
P.A.T. Dues	13,685.86	
Retirement	<u>118,146.39</u>	966,189.04

School Lunch Fund:

Sale of Food	99,455.39	
U.S.D.A. Reimbursements	<u>59,944.70</u>	159,400.09

Athletic Program Fund:

Sale of Tickets	<u>5,261.50</u>	5,261.50
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Tuition:

Out-of-State Students	2,000.00	
State Wards	<u>9,393.00</u>	11,393.00

Miscellaneous:

Industrial Arts Fee	3,284.73	
Sale of Books	723.25	
Commission of Pay Phone	25.46	
Sale of Phys. Ed. Clothing	388.05	
Driver Education Fees	4,009.00	
Vending Machines	23.34	
Other	2,703.00	
Rent of Facilities	<u>120.00</u>	11,276.83

Refunds and Reimbursements:

59,945.22

Interest Income:

7,275.12

\$4,704,636.57

## Expenditures

### Maintenance and Operation:

#### SCHOOL COMMITTEE:

Salaries, Professional	5,369.16
Contracted Services	5,846.50
Supplies and Materials	865.31
Other Expenses	1,220.18

#### SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE:

Salaries, Professional	31,420.54
Salaries, Office	27,119.84
Contracted Services	1,230.73
Supplies and Materials	3,455.78
Other Expenses	3,174.41

#### SUPERVISION:

Salaries, Professional	14,116.94
Salaries, Secretaries	8,011.62
Salaries, Non-Professional	9,040.16
Supplies and Materials	316.05

#### PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE:

Salaries, Professional	102,916.26
Salaries, Secretaries	35,292.22
Contracted Services	9,321.27
Supplies and Materials	7,419.12
Other Expenses	3,095.28

#### TEACHING:

Salaries, Professional	1,522,547.30
Salaries, Substitutes	18,919.00
Teaching, Tuition Reimb.	7,220.50
Salaries, Non-Professional	22,899.68
Contracted Services	5,923.28
General Supplies	17,009.33
Specific Supplies	54,372.63
Other Expenses	2,384.47

#### TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS:

Supplies and Materials	26,778.47
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#### LIBRARY/INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA:

Salaries, Professional	33,415.20
Salaries, Non-Professional	15,150.46
Supplies and Materials	5,344.65
Other Expenses	168.94

#### AUDIO VISUAL:

Supplies and Materials	20,402.41
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GUIDANCE:	
Salaries, Professional	122,090.85
Salaries, Secretaries	13,059.99
Contracted Services	400.00
Supplies and Materials	3,255.63
Other Expenses	326.04
ATTENDANCE:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	675.00
HEALTH SERVICES:	
Salaries, Professional	21,807.34
Supplies and Materials	434.34
Other Expenses	17.20
TRANSPORTATION:	
Contracted Services	222,262.13
OPERATION OF SCHOOL BUSES:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	748.00
FOOD SERVICES:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	13,675.48
ATHLETICS:	
Salaries, Prof.: Coaching	46,186.21
Contr. Services: Team Trans.	9,936.96
Contr. Services: Recond.	7,633.25
Supplies and Materials	12,279.73
Other Expenses	687.60
Athletic Revolving Fund	-0-
OTHER STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES:	
Salaries, Professional	3,250.00
Contracted Services	2,460.08
Supplies and Materials	356.00
CUSTODIAL SERVICES:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	119,883.14
Supplies and Materials	11,046.01
HEAT OF BUILDINGS:	
Contracted Services	99,712.09
UTILITY SERVICES:	
Rent, Water, Electric and Gas	68,239.82
Telephone	8,953.54
MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	8,980.08
Contracted Services	11,571.60
Supplies and Materials	2,376.28



MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS:	
Salaries, Non-Professional	15,748.19
Contracted Services	40,417.50
Supplies and Materials	12,639.84
Other Expenses	1,000.00
MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT:	
Contracted Services	21,032.73
Supplies and Materials	944.66
EMPLOYMENT RETIREMENT:	
Contracted Services	46,200.00
INSURANCE PROGRAM:	
Contracted Services	104,181.95
ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT:	
Library Books	9,191.60
Equipment	12,802.46
REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT:	
Senior High School	8,780.74
Junior High School	2,176.85
Superintendent's Office	716.55
DEBT RETIREMENT:	105,000.00
DEBT SERVICE:	27,982.50

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

### SUPERVISION:

Salaries, Professional	11,825.06
Salaries, Secretry	4,107.50
Supplies and Materials	894.73
Other Expenses	1,497.87

### INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES:

Teaching Salaries	61,990.16
Contracted Services	3,865.50
Supplies and Materials	1,085.41
Other Expenses	1,274.81

### TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS:

Supplies and Materials	1,501.38
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### EVALUATION & ASSESSMENT SERVICES:

Contracted Services — Psychological Testing	1,764.60
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### HEALTH SERVICES:

Contracted Services	161.27
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### TRANSPORTATION:

Contracted Services	27,111.61
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ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT:	148.50
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OTHER MASS. PUBLIC SCHOOLS:	2,296.00
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OTHER DISTRICTS - OTHER STATES:	9,907.52
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PAYMENTS TO NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS:	12,061.03
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ADJUSTMENTS TO M & O:	<u>10,741.72</u>	3,395,122.32
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### Payroll Deduction Payments:

Federal Withholding	343,662.72	
State Withholding	108,389.10	
Pioneer Credit Union	294,827.50	
Annuities	32,262.50	
United Fund	40.00	
Health Insurance	55,742.03	
Life Insurance	622.41	
P.A.T. Dues	13,685.86	
Retirement	<u>116,033.05</u>	965,265.17

### School Lunch Program Funds:

Salaries	55,797.00	
Food	107,713.72	
Other	<u>12,532.95</u>	177,043.67

Athletic Revolving Fund		11,664.42
Federal Programs:		
79-745-505-050-2	95.77	
79-745-505-068-2	185.59	
79-745-505-130-2	890.18	
79-745-505-180-2	2,547.99	
79-745-505-349-N	18.37	
79-745-505-356-N	320.94	
79-745-505-289-N	424.47	
L.E.A. Incentive Grant	7,900.00	
80-745-505-092-2	18,423.00	
80-745-505-093-2	10,579.00	
80-745-505-094-2	4,943.00	
80-745-213-N	11,985.70	
80-745-217-N	25,619.41	
80-745-318-A/V	34,603.11	
Title IVB	<u>2,422.13</u>	120,958.66
Excess & Deficiency:		
Summer Payroll		<u>136,730.92</u>
Total Expenses Year Ended June 30, 1980		\$4,806,785.16



PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT  
BALANCE SHEET  
JUNE 30, 1980

GENERAL ACCOUNTS.

ASSETS:

Cash-General	303,006.95	
Petty Cash	<u>50.00</u>	<u>303,056.95</u>

LIABILITIES:

Payroll Deductions	8,739.09	
Public Law #81-874	81,411.39	
Federal Grants	21,825.68	
Reserve for Petty Cash	50.00	
School Lunch Program	(36,731.07)	
Athletic Revolving Fund	(8,415.32)	
Excess & Deficiency	122,992.15	
Reserve for Summer Payroll	<u>113,185.02</u>	<u>303,056.95</u>

DEBT ACCOUNTS

NET FUNDED OR FIXED DEBT	<u>665,000.00</u>
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SCHOOL CONSTRUCTION LOANS:

December 15, 1965	300,000.00	
December 15, 1966	<u>365,000.00</u>	<u>665,000.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,  
ALVIN H. WATKINS, Treasurer

## 1982 FY BUDGET

	FY 1981 Appropriated	FY 1982 Requested
ADMINISTRATION		
1100 SCHOOL COMMITTEE		
311 Salaries, Professional	\$ 6,215	\$ 6,215
314 Contracted Services	7,800	8,800
315 Supplies and Materials	900	900
316 Other Expenses	1,250	1,250
1200 SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE		
311 Salaries, Professional	43,807	33,807
312 Salaries, Office	30,130	30,130
314 Contracted Services	1,800	1,800
315 Supplies and Materials	3,000	3,000
316 Other Expenses	2,600	2,600
INSTRUCTION		
2100 SUPERVISION		
311 Salaries, Professional	19,044	12,674
312 Salaries, Secretaries	8,811	-0-
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	9,450	-0-
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	170	-0-
Jr. H. S.	350	-0-
2220 PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE		
311 Salaries, Professional	109,060	109,060
312 Salaries, Secretaries	39,473	36,998
314 Contracted Services	9,514	10,362
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	6,200	4,500
Jr. H. S.	2,875	2,677
316 Other Expenses: Sr. H. S.	1,755	895
Jr. H. S.	935	850
2300 TEACHING		
311 Salaries, Professional	1,609,669	1,404,038
311 Salaries, Substitutes	24,000	24,000
311 Teaching, Tuition Reimbursements	8,000	8,000
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	23,237	-0-
314 Contracted Services: Sr. H. S.	2,115	1,792
Jr. H. S.	1,882	1,120
315 General Supplies: Sr. H. S.	9,800	9,800
Jr. H. S.	9,800	9,800
315 Specific Supplies: Sr. H. S.	31,362	38,104
Jr. H. S.	19,038	19,996
316 Travel and Dues: Sr. H. S.	1,623	371
Jr. H. S.	1,215	810

## 2400 TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS

315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	16,676	15,059
Jr. H. S.	13,460	14,526

## 2500 LIBRARY/INSTRUCTIONAL MEDIA

311 Salaries, Professional	35,719	35,719
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	15,945	11,160
314 Contracted Services: Sr. H. S.	200	200
Jr. H. S.	100	100
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	3,900	3,900
Jr. H. S.	1,550	1,550
316 Other Expenses: Sr. H. S.	300	300
Jr. H. S.	150	150

## 2600 AUDIO VISUAL

315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	9,970	6,965
Jr. H. S.	5,023	4,177

## 2700 GUIDANCE

311 Salaries, Professional	131,039	117,983
312 Salaries, Secretaries	14,640	12,715
314 Contracted Services	150	1,500
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	2,495	2,245
Jr. H. S.	555	600
316 Other Expenses: Sr. H. S.	250	250
Jr. H. S.	100	50

## OTHER SCHOOL SERVICES

### 3100 ATTENDANCE

313 Salaries, Non-Professional	675	675
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### 3200 HEALTH SERVICES

311 Salaries, Professional	22,500	14,136
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	350	350
Jr. H. S.	250	250
316 Other Expenses: Sr. H. S.	50	50
Jr. H. S.	50	50

### 3300 TRANSPORTATION

314 Contracted Services	223,867	189,541
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### 3310 OPERATION OF SCHOOL BUSES

313 Salaries, Non-Professional	700	1,440
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### 3400 FOOD SERVICES

313 Salaries, Non-Professional	19,670	-0-
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3510 ATHLETICS		
311 Salaries, Professional	50,773	37,906
314 Contracted Services:		
Team Transportation	8,625	6,015
314 Contracted Services: Reconditioning	7,500	6,750
315 Supplies and Materials	12,102	5,620
316 Other Expenses	750	800
316 Athletic Revolving Fund	4,000	4,000
3520 OTHER STUDENT BODY ACTIVITIES		
311 Salaries, Professional	3,138	3,028
314 Contracted Services: Sr. H. S.	1,835	1,300
Jr. H. S.	605	605
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	300	150
Jr. H. S.	100	100
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF PLANT		
4110 CUSTODIAL SERVICES		
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	123,233	110,086
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	5,500	5,000
Jr. H. S.	5,500	5,000
4120 HEAT OF BUILDINGS		
314 Contracted Services	165,000	159,500
4130 UTILITY SERVICES		
314 Rent, Water, Electric and Gas	63,918	82,300
314 Telephone	10,500	11,025
4210 MAINTENANCE OF GROUNDS		
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	9,218	6,547
314 Contracted Services	12,000	10,500
315 Supplies and Materials	2,200	1,700
4220 MAINTENANCE OF BUILDINGS		
313 Salaries, Non-Professional	15,047	7,699
314 Contracted Services	30,175	32,000
315 Supplies and Materials: Sr. H. S.	4,000	4,000
Jr. H. S.	4,000	4,000
316 Other Expenses	1,000	-0-
4230 MAINTENANCE OF EQUIPMENT		
314 Contracted Services: Sr. H. S.	10,270	8,660
Jr. H. S.	5,175	4,318
315 Supplies and Materials	1,200	2,354

## FIXED CHARGES

5100 EQUIPMENT RETIREMENT		
314 Contracted Services	61,857	63,793
5200 INSURANCE PROGRAM		
314 Contracted Services	115,000	172,686
5400 DEBT SERVICE		
317 Interest	2,000	2,000

## FIXED ASSETS

7300 ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT		
318 Library Books: Sr. H. S.	5,000	4,828
318 Equipment: Sr. H. S.	8,601	1,000
318 Library Books: Jr. H. S.	4,500	4,500
318 Equipment: Jr. H. S.	3,594	320
7400 REPLACEMENT OF EQUIPMENT		
318 Sr. High School	10,318	6,402
318 Jr. High School	9,514	1,299
318 Superintendent's Office	1,800	-0-
8100 DEBT RETIREMENT		
317 Principal	105,000	105,000
8200 DEBT SERVICE		
317 Interest	23,888	19,793
	<u>\$3,475,940</u>	<u>\$3,122,574</u>

## CHAPTER 766 — SPECIAL EDUCATION

2100 SUPERVISION		
321 Salaries, Professional	12,712	12,712
322 Salaries, Secretary	4,550	4,290
325 Supplies and Materials	1,500	1,500
326 Other Expenses	1,800	1,800
2300 INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES		
321 Teaching Salaries	80,827	80,827
322 Salaries, Clerical	2,356	2,356
324 Contracted Services	6,500	5,000
325 Supplies and Materials	1,800	1,400
326 Other Expenses	1,600	1,275

2400 TEXTBOOKS AND WORKBOOKS		
325 Supplies and Materials	1,600	1,100
2800 EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT SERVICES		
321 Salaries, Professional	500	250
324 Contracted Services - Psych. Testing	2,500	2,125
3200 HEALTH SERVICES		
324 Contracted Services	500	300
3300 TRANSPORTATION		
324 Contracted Services	26,000	18,100
7300 ACQUISITION OF EQUIPMENT		
328 Equipment	500	-0-
9100 OTHER MASS. PUBLIC SCHOOLS	-0-	-0-
9200 OTHER DISTRICT - OTHER STATES		
9300 PAYMENTS TO NON-PUBLIC SCHOOLS	<u>26,000</u>	<u>63,665</u>
SPED Sub-Total	181,245	196,700
Regular Sub-Total	<u>3,475,940</u>	<u>3,122,574</u>
GRAND TOTAL	\$3,657,185	\$3,319,274



# PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT

## 1982 BUDGET

### COST DISTRIBUTION

Student Enrollments by Towns and Percentage of Enrollment:

		1980	1981	1982
	Oct. 1, 1980	% of Total	% of Total	% of Total
Groveland	567	46.9388%	46.656%	44.0217%
Merrimac	396	30.1900%	28.7002%	30.7453%
West Newbury	325	22.8712%	24.6431%	25.2330%
	1288	100.0000%	100.0000%	100.0000%

Budget Requests for 1982 .....	\$3,319,274
Less: All Categories .....	\$1,477,060
Total to be Raised .....	\$1,842,214

Assessments to Towns, based Agreement:

	1980	1981	1982
Groveland's Share	\$ 893,269	\$ 977,730	\$ 810,974
Merrimac's Share	\$ 574,531	\$ 601,436	\$ 566,394
West Newbury's Share	\$ 435,250	\$ 516,417	\$ 464,846
	<u>\$1,803,050</u>	<u>\$2,095,583</u>	<u>\$1,842,214</u>

## 1980-1981 SCHOOL CALENDAR

### PENTUCKET REGIONAL SCHOOLS & SCHOOL UNION #53

August 29                      Orientation: New Teachers

September 1	Labor Day
2*	All Teachers in School
3*	Staff Development for All Staff
4	Schools Open for Jr. High Grade 7 Only, Senior High Grades 10-12
5	Schools Open for All Pupils Grades K-12

(Provides for additional orientation of 7th graders.)

October 13                      Columbus Day - Schools Closed

November 7*	Secondary Schools - Staff Development/ Parent Conferences
11	Veterans' Day - Schools Closed
26/27-28	Thanksgiving Day - Schools Closed at Noon on 26th

December 24- January 2	Christmas Holiday -Schools Open January 5
15	Martin Luther King Day - Schools Closed

February 16- 20	Washington's Birthday - Schools Closed - Winter Vacation
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April 3*	Secondary Schools - Staff Development
17	Good Friday - Schools Closed
20-24	Patriots' Day - Spring Vacation - Schools Closed

May 25	Memorial Day - Schools Closed
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June 5	Last Day for Seniors
13	Graduation
19	Last Day for Pupils

No snow days are built into the calendar. If snow days are needed, the school year will be extended during the week of June 22.

Five ½ days are built into the calendar for staff development: Sept. 30, Oct. 29, Jan. 29, March 24, May 20.

Quarters End: Nov. 7, Jan. 23, April 3, June 19

\*Calendar contains 180 days for pupils and 184 days for teachers.





WARRANT  
for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX,ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac, to meet in the RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac immediately upon adjournment the Annual Town Meeting to act on the following article, namely:

ARTICLE. To see if the Town will vote to raise by taxation, transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, such additional funds for or reduce appropriations made to budgets at the regular Town Meeting as may be necessary; or take any other action relative thereto.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of April, 1981.

George A. Waterhouse, Chairman  
George P. Stevens, Clerk  
Nancy C. MacGregor  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WARRANT  
for  
SPECIAL TOWN MEETING

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To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac, to meet in the RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on May 4, 1981 at 7:30 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for additional costs of street-lighting; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for additional costs of heating the Municipal Building; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town Will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for additional costs of Lights in Town Buildings; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for additional costs of heating the Town Hall Building; or take any other action relative thereto.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of April 1981.

George A. Waterhouse, Chairman  
George P. Stevens, Clerk  
Nancy C. MacGregor  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

WARRANT  
for  
ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

ESSEX, ss.

To Donald J. Montigny, one of the Constables of the Town of Merrimac:

GREETINGS:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, you are hereby required to notify and warn the legal voters of the Town of Merrimac to meet in the RED OAK SCHOOL in Merrimac on May 4, 1981 at 8:00 o'clock in the evening to act on the following articles, namely:

ARTICLE 1. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended; Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, and raise, appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1981 and make appropriations for the same, said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1981, in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.



ARTICLE 5. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, sections 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 6. To see if the Town will vote to transfer dog license fees collected during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1981, to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 7. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An Act Providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries"; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 8. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization or revaluation of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 9. To see if the Town will vote to retain \$ of FREE CASH certified July 1, 1980, under the provisions of Section 12(a) of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or to take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to maintain a Sanitary Landfill Operation for the Fiscal Year 1982; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum on money for the purpose of paying funds to Haley & Ward, Inc., Civil and Environmental Engineers of Waltham, Massachusetts, for engineering services required for the continuing operation of the Town's Sanitary Landfill for the period of July 1, 1981 thru June 30, 1982; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 12. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to sell a parcel of land owned by the Town abutting Will-Mor Engineering Co., Inc. to Will-Mor Engineering Co., Inc., said land being

described in deed of Mary Wilson Currier et al to the Inhabitants of the Town of Merrimac for a sum of money; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 13. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money from available funds to be used for Consultant fees as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for providing ambulance service and the expenses incurred related thereto; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Selectmen for the purchase of an ambulance to be maintained and manned by the Fire Department's Emergency Medical Technicians; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 16. To see if the Town will raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used by the Fire Department for operation and maintenance of the ambulance; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 17. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a By-law establishing a Historic District to be known as "The River Village Historic District" and a Historic Commission under the provisions of Chapter 40C, Massachusetts General Laws Annotated, as most recently amended; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 18. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XV, section XIII of the Town By-laws by deleting the following sentence, "Failure to comply with this By-law shall be punishable as follows: 1st offense \$5.00 fine; 2nd offense and subsequent offences, a fine of \$10.00; each 24 hour period shall constitute a separate offense.", and substituting in place thereof the following sentence, "Failure to comply with this By-law shall be punishable as follows: 1st offense \$15.00; 2nd offense \$25.00; third and subsequent offense \$50.00; each 24 hour period shall constitute a separate offense."; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 19. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XVII, section 118.2 of the Town by-laws, Schedule of Permit Fees by deleting in its entirety and substituting in place thereof the following:

Section 118.2 - SCHEDULE OF PERMIT FEES: New Construction 1st floor - 6¢ per square foot; additional finished area - 4¢ per square foot -



minimum \$20.00. Alterations & Additions - 4¢ per square foot - minimum \$20.00. Finished Basement - 4¢ per square foot; Demolition - 2¢ per square foot - minimum \$10.00. Private Garage - (separate permit) \$15.00. Swimming Pool - Above Ground - \$15.00; Below Ground - \$25.00; Chimney - building as an addition or rebuilding - \$10.00; Moving of a building - (based on contract cost) \$5.00 per thousand - \$20.00 minimum. Minimum fee except as noted - \$10.00; Public Safety Certificate for Nurseries, Kindergarten, Clubs, Halls, Etc. to be paid by individuals - \$25.00.

**BUSINESS & COMMERCIAL BUILDINGS:** 6¢ per square foot for 1st 2,500 square feet for floor area; 4¢ per square foot for each additional square foot.

**WOODBURNING STOVE - \$10.00**

Or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for interest on temporary borrowing necessary for the sewer construction project for Fiscal Year 1982 in addition to the amount appropriated for Fiscal 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to hire an inspector for the house connections to the sanitary sewer system; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 22. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to hire a Chief Operator and an Assistant for the Merrimac Waste Water Treatment Plant; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 23. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Conservation Commission to purchase, in fee, for conservation purposes, from Louis A. Cyr, a certain parcel of land bordered on the north by Interstate-495, on the west by Broad Street, running south from Interstate-495 approximately 946' to land now or formerly owned by E. Varney, and on the east by North Street, running south approximately 261' to land now or formerly owned by Wilbur Wallace, constituting 19 acres plus or minus, being shown on plan entitled "Plot of land for Louis Cyr in Merrimac, MA" by Parker Survey Assoc., Inc., 10/1980, said purchase being toward the completion of the Cobbler's Brook Greenway and trail system and that a sum of money be raised and appropriated and that said sum be reduced by money to be transferred from the Conservation Fund toward the cost and expenses of said



purchase, and further reduced by whatever state or federal assistance the Town is eligible to receive and that the Conservation Commission be authorized to apply for and receive any State or Federal Assistance which may be necessary or useful in connection with the foregoing; and that the Conservation Commission be authorized to apply for an to receive a sum of money to be used toward the purchase of said land, that sum being the expected amount of reimbursement for said purchase by the State under its Self-Help Program; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 24. To see if the Town will vote to adopt a Zoning By-law establishing Floodplan/Wetland District Protection; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 25. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the feasibility study committee as directed at the December 2, 1980 Special Town Meeting to combine under one department the Light & Water, Sewer, Highway and Cemetery; or take any other action relative thereto.

ARTICLE 26. To see if the Town will vote to advise the Great and General Court not to appropriate for Fiscal Year 1982 more than it did for Fiscal Year 1981 for expenditures by the Commonwealth's departments and agencies. Further, that the savings of approximately \$350,000,000 from the above cuts be redistributed to the cities and towns in the form of increased local aid.

Given under our hands this seventeenth day of April, 1981.

George A. Waterhouse, Chairman  
George P. Stevens, Clerk  
Nancy C. MacGregor  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN

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MERRIMAC FINANCE COMMITTEE 1980

The following is a list of the Fin Com's recommendations regarding the proposed warrant articles to be voted at the Annual Town Meeting.

The Fin Com feels that this year, more than ever, the taxpayers must weigh carefully their decisions concerning the amending and passage of these articles. It is up to you, the taxpayers, by your majority vote, to determine the financial priorities for the coming fiscal year. The voters must not allow the published opinions of any individual or minority group, the Fin Com included, to sway them from their own logically based conclusions concerning the appropriation of their hard-earned tax dollars.

The Fin Com will depend on the sponsors of articles to supply the needed background information concerning their specific proposals by answering any questions which are raised. When the need arises, the committee will attempt to inform the voters, by utilizing the information gained in arriving at its recommendations.

ARTICLES 1 - 2 recommended

The Fin Com strongly recommends the passage of these articles which protect the Town's ability to control its appropriations without State interference. The amounts listed, \$300,000 and \$700,000 are designed to provide a cushion beyond the actual appropriation and tax levy. A two-thirds majority is required.

ARTICLES 3 - 10 recommended

Omnibus Article and additional standard articles applying to general government, authorization for borrowing, and use of appropriations.

Article 5 will authorize the use of \$75,000 from free cash to reduce the tax rate for the coming fiscal year.

ARTICLE 11 recommended

This article ammended to \$50,865 is the amount the Fin Com recommends be retained from the balance of free cash. A two-thirds majority is required.

ARTICLES 12 - 13 - 14 recommended

The Fin Com's views concerning the sewer project are published in its annual report.

ARTICLE 15 recommended

ARTICLE 16 Amended amount \$55,000. See Article 17.

ARTICLE 17 recommended

Amended amount: \$3,000 for interim financing of standpipe project.

ARTICLE 18 recommended

This is the Chapter 90 reimbursement to continue the reconstruction of Bear Hill Road.

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ARTICLE 19      no recommendation

Although the Fin Com feels that this is an area where conservation and efficiency must be improved, the committee has not received enough background information to determine the cost effectiveness of this proposal.

ARTICLE 20      recommended - Revenue Sharing Funds

ARTICLE 21      recommended

ARTICLE 22 - 23 - 24      recommended

The committee recommends the amended amounts to be applied to dump operation, maintenance, and engineering fees. Revenue Sharing Funds to be used for sanitary landfill operation.

ARTICLES 25 - 26 - 27      no recommendation

ARTICLE 28      no recommendation

ARTICLE 29      no recommendation.

See comments for Article 19.

ARTICLE 30      recommended

If properly established, the authority would give the Town a certain amount of control in the area of future industrial development.

ARTICLE 31      recommended

See comments in Fin Com report.

ARTICLE 32      recommended

The ladder truck acquired without the aid of Town funds appears to be an asset to the Town which should logically accept it as a permanent part of its fire fighting equipment.

ARTICLE 33      recommended

ARTICLE 34      not recommended

It would not be wise for the Town to acquire this property unless it is prepared to take on the inevitable costs which could be substantial over a period of time.

ARTICLE 35      no recommendation      Although the Fin Com feels the circuit rider concept has definite merit, the proposal has been withdrawn by the MVPC making it a dead issue.

Using a figure of \$37,000 = \$1.00, the proposed total amount to be appropriated could represent a possible \$10.00 increase on the tax rate if State and Federal aid continue at the same level as the past year.



**Report of the  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MERRIMAC, MASSACHUSETTS  
1980**



A summary of recommendations to be presented at the  
Annual Town Meeting in Red Oak School

8:00 P. M.

MAY 5, 1980

What We Can Afford Is As Important As What We Need!

Please Bring This Report With You

# Budget Breakdown

by

Category

64.7%	SCHOOLS
35.8%	Local
21.6%	Pentucket
7.3%	Whittier
3.40%	General Gov.
.60%	Council on Aging
7.70%	Protection
.40	Health & Sanit.
4.40%	Highways
.20%	Charities
1.56%	Library
.37%	Recreation
2.80%	Pensions
2.80%	Water
.45%	Cemeteries
6.30%	Unclassified
4.30%	Debt & Interest

## RECAP of Reserve Fund

Appropriation	\$18,000.00
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### Transferred to:

Accountant's Salary	685.50
Int. -on Tax Ant. Notes	800.00
Appeals Board Expense	150.00
Selectmen's Expense	600.00
Light in Town Bldgs.	5,070.74
Street Lighting	3,011.58
Police Regular Exp.	1,500.00
TOTAL TO APRIL 1, 1930	<u>\$6,182.18</u>

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC:

The Finance Committee respectfully submits the enclosed budget recommendations for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 to the voters of Merrimac.

The Merrimac Finance Committee has undergone a period of transition. The major changes are reflected in personnel and basic philosophy.

Due to the late start in beginning the budget reviews, and the fact that many requests were submitted very late or not at all, the reorganized Fin Com felt it necessary to accelerate the review process. In the future, the Committee will establish and publish definite guidelines to be followed when preparing budget requests. This past year, many budgets came up short in their expense appropriations and have placed too heavy a burden on the Reserve Fund. The Fin Com feels that department heads must request adequate funding based on logical projections of need. To this end the Fin Com has attempted to take a reasonable and realistic approach when reviewing budgets and recommending increases.

In all cases, when reviewing budget requests and warrant articles, several key factors have been stressed. The Fin Com has attempted, in a relatively short period of time, to determine the realistic needs and priorities of the departments with which it has met. In all cases, obtaining maximum value for the tax dollars appropriated, has been uppermost in our minds. The Committee has tried to negotiate, rather than mandate, when meeting with department representatives. With few exceptions, sponsors of budget and warrant proposals have responded clearly and responsibly when questioned by Fin Com members. In an attempt by the Committee to gain as much knowledge as possible, the departments were asked many questions concerning past performance, present needs, and future outlook. Each department's revenue generating ability or the availability of outside funding were major factors which were weighed when making budget recommendations. In several cases, (Building Inspector and Wiring Inspector included) where large increases were requested, the potential revenues generated by fees or other sources were the determining factors in recommending the increases. It should be noted, however, in most cases where major expense increases are called for, they are fuel or energy related. The Fin Com has requested energy audits for areas where increases in efficiency or economy could effectively reduce consumption.

The respective School Department budgets, although making up the largest percentage of appropriations, were given a rather low priority. This action was deemed necessary as the present Fin Com was not organized in time to be properly represented at the initial budget hearings. The Fin Com's lack of initial input or review, and the obvious fiscal autonomy aspects of school related appropriations prompted the decision to accept the inevitable increases. The Fin Com appreciates the apparent effort put forth by the Merrimac School Committee and related departments involved in its budget requests which appear reasonable and realistic. Increases were held down in most areas, and, discounting increases in fuel costs and expenditures for special education



programs, the overall appropriation shows an increase of only 4.7%. The Fin Com will be prepared in the future to take an active part in the initial review process and will inject its views with an eye toward mutual responsibility and cooperation.

Again, one of the major areas of concern, is the funding for the proposed Sewer and Wastewater Treatment Facility. It is the opinion of the Fin Com, after several meetings and discussions with the Sewer Commission, that we must expedite the project with approval of all necessary proposals and possible additional funding. It is apparent the Sewer Commission has worked hard to acquire the maximum Federal and State funding and obtain the required approvals. They have seen to it that the planning stages have been efficiently carried out. The Commission has drafted a user charge and use ordinance which appears to be comprehensive and fair. The project must commence without further delays which will inevitably lead to an increase in the costs.

In summing up the overall outlook, the President's announced inflation fighting package plus announced cuts in State aid and Federal Revenue Sharing, make the prospects for additional Federal and State funding very poor. In looking ahead, the Fin Com is concerned about the future when many worthy programs which are now supported by State or Federal funds must be continued without such outside financial support. The decade of the Eighties may prove to be a difficult one in light of the proposed cuts in Federal and State aid. The burden of support for many programs will swing more heavily to the Town and its taxpayers. In an era of continued double digit inflation, the importance of voter participation and input, becomes even more critical when it comes to establishing priorities which will determine the overall quality of life in our local community. The Fin Com strongly requests maximum taxpayer attendance at the Special and Annual Town Meetings and looks forward to the support of Department Heads and Warrant Sponsors in presenting specific supporting arguments for their budget requests and warrant proposals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald R. Jordan, Co. Chairman  
Paul A. Warden, Co. Chairman  
John E. Dunn  
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MERRIMAC FINANCE COMMITTEE

The dollar amounts appearing in this booklet are based on the figures available as of April 14, 1980. Ammended amounts and the Finance Committee warrant article recommendations will be published separately prior to the May 5 Town Meeting.

Expended  
Fiscal 1979

Appropriated  
Fiscal 1980

Requested  
Fiscal 1981

Recommended  
Fiscal 1981

GENERAL GOVERNMENT 3.40% of TOTAL

<u>Moderator</u>				
1	Salary	12.00	12.00	12.00
<u>Finance Committee</u>				
2	Expenses	926.24	1,050.00	1,050.00
<u>Selectmen</u>				
3	Salaries	3,000.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
4	Secretary	6,840.00	7,200.00	7,940.00
5	Expense	<u>2,397.75</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>	<u>2,600.00</u>
		12,237.75	13,400.00	13,940.00
<u>Accountant</u>				
6	Salary	6,955.00	7,233.00	12,700.00
7	Expenses	<u>410.00</u>	<u>460.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
		7,365.00	7,693.00	13,200.00
<u>Treasurer</u>				
8	Salary	3,700.00	4,000.00	5,200.00
9	Expense	<u>4,958.60</u>	<u>5,300.00</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>
			10,130.00	9,730.00
<u>Tax Collector</u>				
10	Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11	Clerk	1,200.00	1,500.00	1,800.00
12	Expense	<u>3,589.41</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,089.00</u>
		7,289.41	8,000.00	8,389.00
<u>Board of Assessors</u>				
13	Salary	3,300.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
14	Clerk	7,836.00	8,336.00	8,936.00
15	Expense	1,839.67	2,100.00	2,415.00
16	Equalization-Warrant Art. #10	<u>4,515.83</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>
		17,491.50	15,236.00	16,151.00
<u>Legal Suits &amp; Expense</u>				
17	Counsel Salary	1,980.00	1,980.00	2,059.00
18	Expense	<u>4,083.25</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>
		6,063.25	6,480.00	6,559.00
<u>Town Clerk</u>				
19	Salary	1,250.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
20	Expense	<u>339.96</u>	<u>750.00</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>
		1,589.96	2,250.00	2,850.00
<u>Board of Registrars</u>				
21	Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
22	Expense	639.84	350.00	450.00
23	Census Taker Expense	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
		1,339.84	1,050.00	1,150.00
<u>Election Officers</u>				
24	Wages	992.00	732.00	1,119.00
25	Expense	<u>68.00</u>	<u>52.00</u>	<u>99.00</u>
		1,060.00	784.00	1,218.00
<u>Planning Board</u>				
26	Expense	422.55	800.00	800.00



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Board of Appeals</u>				
27 Expense	396.49	400.00	550.00	550.00
<u>Bonding Town Officers</u>				
28 Expense	869.00	825.00	811.00	811.00
<u>Town Hall</u>				
29 Janitor Salary	993.00	1,068.00	1,168.00	1,168.00
30 Maintenance Exp.	2,343.34	3,200.00	4,100.00	4,100.00
31 Heating	2,833.85	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	<u>6,170.19</u>	<u>7,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>
<u>Municipal Buildings</u>				
32 Maintenance Exp.	839.17	500.00	500.00	500.00
33 Heating	4,665.17	4,500.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
34 Electric Heat	3,200.00	4,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<u>8,704.34</u>	<u>9,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	\$80,596.12	\$84,048.00	\$97,578.00	\$95,978.00

COUNCIL FOR THE AGING .60% of the TOTAL

35 Director Salary	7,129.59	7,856.00	8,456.00	8,456.00
36 Clerk's Salary	0.00	3,120.00	3,416.00	3,416.00
37 Janitor Salary	0.00	0.00	1,708.00	854.00
38 Expense	3,229.76	3,490.00	4,196.00	4,096.00
TOTAL COUNCIL AGING	\$10,359.35	\$14,466.00	\$17,776.00	\$16,822.00

PROTECTION 7.70% of the TOTAL

<u>Police</u>				
39 Chief-Salary	19,120.40	20,306.00	20,306.00	20,306.00
40 Sargent-Salary	14,431.51	15,406.00	15,406.00	15,406.00
41 Patrolmen-Wages	38,338.32	40,630.00	40,630.00	40,630.00
42 Night Premium	615.60	980.00	980.00	980.00
43 Paid Holidays	3,030.79	2,338.00	2,338.00	2,338.00
44 Court Time	3,827.42	3,935.00	3,935.00	3,935.00
45 Overtime	2,029.04	2,080.00	2,080.00	2,080.00
46 Regular Expense	10,973.30	3,500.00	8,910.00	8,910.00
47 Specials	17,167.10	16,000.00	16,960.00	16,960.00
48 Crossing Guards	3,810.00	4,081.00	5,760.00	4,450.00
49 Dispatch-Wages	28,227.35	31,102.00	34,195.00	34,195.00
50 Dispatch-Expense	4,332.43	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
51 Fuel	0.00	6,500.00	8,400.00	12,000.00
TOTAL POLICE & COMM.	\$145,903.26	\$150,858.00	\$159,900.00	\$162,190.00

<u>Fire</u>				
52 Fire Dept.-Wages	17,300.00	17,100.00	23,150.00	20,000.00
53 Expense	13,207.16	13,035.00	17,190.00	17,190.00
54 Forest Fire Wardens	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL FIRE	\$30,507.16	\$30,335.00	\$40,540.00	\$37,390.00

<u>Civil Defense</u>				
55 Expense	286.88	350.00	0.00	0.00

<u>Fire Alarm Inspector</u>				
56 Expense	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Gas Inspector</u>				
57 Salary	416.00	416.00	416.00	416.00
58 Expense	<u>150.50</u>	<u>174.00</u>	<u>174.00</u>	<u>174.00</u>
	\$566.50	\$590.00	\$590.00	\$590.00
<u>Wiring Inspector</u>				
59 Salary	500.00	600.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
60 Expense	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
	\$600.00	\$700.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
<u>Building Inspector</u>				
61 Salary	600.00	600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
62 Expense	<u>84.32</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
	\$684.32	\$800.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
<u>Oil Burner Inspector</u>				
63 Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
64 Expense	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
<u>Tree Warden</u>				
65 Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
66 Expense	3,277.78	4,047.00	4,047.00	4,047.00
67 Insect Pest Control	457.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
68 Dutch Elm	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
69 New Trees	885.90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
70 Stump Removal	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$7,920.68	\$8,847.00	\$8,847.00	\$8,847.00
<u>Dog Officer</u>				
71 Salary	953.28	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
72 Expense	<u>462.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>
	\$1,415.28	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
TOTAL PROTECTION	\$188,234.08	\$195,130.00	\$215,277.00	\$214,567.00
<u>HEALTH &amp; SANITATION .40% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Board of Health</u>				
73 Expense	576.65	2,200.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
74 Food Service Inspector	<u>0.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
	\$576.65	\$2,500.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
<u>Town Nurse</u>				
75 Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
76 Expense	<u>91.32</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
	\$2,591.32	\$2,700.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<u>Plumbing Inspector</u>				
77 Salary	420.00	480.00	480.00	480.00
<u>Sewerage &amp; Health Inspector</u>				
78 Expense	2,072.50	2,100.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
<u>Animal Inspector</u>				
79 Salary	66.67	100.00	100.00	100.00
80 Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>
	\$66.67	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$115.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Milk Inspector</u>				
81 Salary	0.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
82 Expense	0.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>
<u>Sewer Commission</u>				
83 Salaries	0.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
84 Expense	0.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,600.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
<u>Dump Maintenance</u>				
85 Operation-Warrant				
Art.#23	27,222.99	47,000.00	50,000.00 (est)	50,000.00
86 Engineering-Warrant				
Art.#24	<u>17,450.00</u>	<u>4,952.00</u>	<u>4,000.00 (est)</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>
			<u>\$54,000.00</u>	<u>\$54,000.00</u>
TOTAL HEALTH & SANIT.	<u>\$50,400.13</u>	<u>\$61,487.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>

HIGHWAYS 4.40% of the TOTAL

<u>Superintendent-</u>				
87 Salary	12,275.00	12,946.00	13,722.76	13,722.76
88 Wages	34,216.84	37,545.00	39,797.70	39,797.70
89 Overtime	4,872.58	8,610.00	9,126.60	9,126.60
90 Thickly Settled	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
91 Road Machinery	10,911.31	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
92 Snow & Washouts	18,337.31	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
93 Repairs Private Ways	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
94 Side., Rails, Bridges	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
95 Oiling Roads	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
96 Fuel	5,484.50	6,500.00	6,500.00	10,500.00
97 Road Cons. & Impr.				
Warrant Art. #18	<u>28,445.20</u>	<u>17,627.00</u>	<u>11,295.00</u>	<u>11,295.00</u>
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	<u>\$137,542.74</u>	<u>\$132,228.00</u>	<u>\$129,442.06</u>	<u>\$133,442.06</u>

CHARITIES .20% of the TOTAL

<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>				
98 Clerks Salary	937.00	984.00	1,043.00	1,043.00
99 Ordinary Allowance	2,034.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<u>\$2,971.00</u>	<u>\$5,984.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>

Veterans' Service Officer

100 Salary	1,171.00	1,229.00	1,302.00	1,302.00
101 Expense	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	<u>\$1,421.00</u>	<u>\$1,479.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>

Care of Veterans' Graves

102 Expense	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00
TOTAL CHARITIES	<u>\$4,516.00</u>	<u>\$7,587.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>

SCHOOLS 64.7% of the TOTAL

Elementary Schools

103 Salaries & Wages	543,080.67	604,389.00	644,317.00	644,317.00
104 Expense	132,001.46	113,261.00	137,866.00	137,866.00
105 SPED	102,642.40	161,269.00	171,855.00	171,855.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Regional &amp; Vo-Tech</u>				
106 Trans.&Tuition	<u>34,680.00</u>	<u>41,500.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>
TOT. ELEM. SCHOOLS	\$872,404.53	\$920,419.00	\$996,138.00	\$996,138.00
<u>Whittier Vo-Tech</u>				
107 Assessment	\$105,197.02	\$166,394.00	\$202,740.00	\$202,740.00
<u>Pentucket Regional</u>				
108 Assessment	<u>\$553,613.00</u>	<u>\$574,531.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>
TOTAL SCHOOLS	\$1,531,214.55	\$1,661,344.00	\$1,800,314.00	\$1,800,314.00
<u>LIBRARY 1.56% of the TOTAL</u>				
109 Wages	27,883.02	29,360.00	32,030.00	31,708.00
110 Expense	<u>11,655.74</u>	<u>11,270.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$39,538.76	\$40,630.00	\$43,975.00	\$43,653.00
<u>RECREATION .37% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Playground</u>				
111 Expense	5,108.68	6,010.00	6,700.00	6,100.00
<u>Supervised Play</u>				
112 Expense	2,080.00	2,212.00	2,450.00	2,250.00
<u>Indian Head Park</u>				
113 Expense	<u>2,403.16</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>2,330.00</u>	<u>1,896.00</u>
TOTAL RECREATION	\$9,591.84	\$10,022.00	\$11,480.00	\$10,246.00
<u>PENSIONS 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Essex County Retirement</u>				
114 Assessment	55,136.00	61,600.00	77,043.00	77,043.00
<u>Pension Bill</u>				
115 Expense	<u>708.99</u>	<u>743.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>
TOTAL PENSIONS	\$55,844.99	\$62,343.00	\$77,819.00	\$77,819.00
<u>WATER DEPARTMENT 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
116 Managers-Salary	5,980.00	6,125.00	6,493.68	6,493.68
117 Clerks-Salary	3,286.40	3,623.00	3,841.92	3,841.92
118 Wages	24,247.17	26,017.00	27,574.40	27,574.40
119 Expense	29,998.03	30,200.00	32,654.00	32,900.00
120 Water Comm. Salaries	1,067.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
121 Excav. & Roadwork	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,209.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$64,578.60	\$72,374.00	\$77,494.00	\$77,740.00
<u>CEMETERY DEPARTMENT .45% of the TOTAL</u>				
122 Wages	11,350.00	11,250.00	12,250.00	11,931.00
123 Trustees	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
124 Clerk	500.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
125 Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL CEMETERIES	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$12,681.00
<u>UNCLASSIFIED 6.30% of the TOTAL</u>				
126 Property & Liab. Ins.	44,989.00	45,788.00	49,451.00	49,451.00
127 Grp. Health & Life	25,470.38	22,250.00	27,000.00	27,000.00



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
128 Repairs Tax Title Prop.	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
129 Ambulance Service	6,985.36	7,500.00	8,600.00	8,600.00
130 Memorial Day	443.70	500.00	500.00	500.00
131 Legion Hall	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
132 Conservation Commission	809.60	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
133 Vital Statistics	132.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
134 Printing Town Report	1,753.60	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
135 M.V.P.C.	849.00	849.00	1,061.25	1,061.25
136 Electric. Twn. Bldgs.	15,867.72	15,402.00	24,326.00	30,000.00
137 Water Town Bldgs.	869.72	980.00	980.00	980.00
138 Street Lighting	16,168.21	17,299.00	22,342.00	22,342.00
139 Town Gardens	882.42	900.00	900.00	900.00
140 Reserve Fund	17,453.84	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
141 Stabilization Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
142 Unemployment Exp.	2,950.50	8,000.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	\$122,325.05	\$141,668.00	\$170,160.25	\$175,834.25

MATURING DEBT 4.30% of the TOTAL

<u>Debt</u>				
143 Red Oak School	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
144 Water Wells	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
145 Standpipe	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
146 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00

<u>Interest on Debt</u>				
147 Red Oak School	12,495.00	11,025.00	9,555.00	9,555.00
148 Water Wells	16,660.00	14,945.00	13,230.00	13,230.00
149 Standpipe	3,965.00	3,355.00	2,745.00	2,745.00
150 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
	\$33,120.00	\$29,325.00	\$32,530.00	\$32,530.00

<u>Interest on Tax Ant. Notes</u>				
151 Interest	1,029.45	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	\$114,149.45	\$110,325.00	\$119,530.00	\$119,530.00

TOTAL OMNIBUS RECOMMENDATIONS	\$2,783,087.00
TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES	\$ 263,160.33
GRAND TOTAL - OMNIBUS & WARRANT ARTICLES	\$3,046,247.33
PROPOSED REVENUE SHARING	\$ 65,300.00

ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
WARRANT

*amended*  
Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to exceed the Appropriation Limit by 300,000.00 under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1970; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote not to exceed 700,000.00 of the Levy 40 40 Limit under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1970; or take any 56 other action relative thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended; Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, and raise appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1980 and make appropriations for the same said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1980 in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

Free Cash Figure \$11,482.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such a sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 111, Sections 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer dog license fees collected during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980, to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An Act Providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries" or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_



Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,200.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to retain \$11,482.00 of Free Cash certified July 1, 1979, under the provisions of Section 12(a) of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for interest on temporary borrowing necessary for the sewer construction project for Fiscal Year 1981 in addition to the amount appropriated for Fiscal Year 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$35,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to increase the total authorized amount for the design phase of the proposed sewage system from \$385,000 to \$400,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$25,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the acquisition of any land and easements or interest in land, by gift, purchase or eminent domain, necessary for laying sewer lines and interceptors on private property, and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the Water Department Well Field and Water Main Project for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$37,100 or any other sum for replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe and modification of the system controls; to determine whether such appropriation will be raised by borrowing or otherwise; and to take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,100.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe, and modification of the system controls for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of construction, reconstruction and resurfacing of local streets; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$11,295.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_



2,750,999.54

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to change or improve the heating system for the Police Department located at the Brox Municipal Building, Merrimac; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$7,500.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Police Cruiser towards the cost of said new Cruiser; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,700.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a new Radar Unit for the Police Department and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Radar Unit towards the cost of said new Radar Unit; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,008.29 to be Raised & Appropriated and \$91.71 to be transferred from Anti-Recession Funds

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for the Fiscal Year 1981 thru Fiscal Year 1984 for the purpose of maintaining a Sanitary Landfill Operation; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to maintain a Sanitary Landfill Operation for the Fiscal Year 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ 47,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying funds to Haley & Ward, Inc., Civil and Environmental Engineers of Waltham, Massachusetts, for engineering services required for the continuing operation of the Town's Sanitary Landfill for the period of July 1, 1980 thru June 30, 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,250.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Small quantities of brush gathered from general yard cleaning may be deposited in the Landfill Area without first being chipped" and substituting in place thereof the following sentence: "All materials deposited in the Town Landfill Area must be chipped in accordance with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Laws and Regulations"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Stumps and logs will be accepted as is" and substitute in place thereof the following sentence: "No stumps, logs, or tires shall be deposited in the Town Landfill Area"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XV of the Town By-Laws by adding Section XIV, which reads as follows: "No person shall deposit, maintain or use, or cause suffer or permit to be constructed, maintained, or used, stumps or logs as fill on any lot or lots in the Town of Merrimac"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for Consultant fees as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for installing insulation, storm windows and whatever interior structural changes are required to make Town Offices energy efficient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Development Financing Authority for industrial development purposes pursuant to Chapter 40D of the Massachusetts General Laws and make the appropriate findings and declarations; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to pass a Sewer Use By-Law for the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the transfer from the Fire Department of the ladder truck to the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Legion Hall Study Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept by way of gift from Stanley F. Wood Post #134, The American Legion Home; said American Legion Home would be used by and for the Town's Boards and Committees, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen or for any other purpose that the said Selectmen deem necessary; and further that the upper hall and storage room of said building be used by the American Legion and Auxiliary; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay its share of a Circuit Rider Executive Secretary; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,533.33 - to be \_\_\_\_\_





FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TOWN HALL  
MERRIMAC, MASS.

**Report of the  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MERRIMAC, MASSACHUSETTS  
1980**



A summary of recommendations to be presented at the  
Annual Town Meeting in Red Oak School

8:00 P. M.

MAY 5, 1980

What We Can Afford Is As Important As What We Need!

Please Bring This Report With You

# Budget Breakdown

by

Category

64.7%	SCHOOLS
35.8%	Local
21.6%	Pentucket
7.3%	Whittier
3.40%	General Gov.
.60%	Council on Aging
7.70%	Protection
.40	Health & Sanit.
4.40%	Highways
.20%	Charities
1.56%	Library
.37%	Recreation
2.80%	Pensions
2.80%	Water
.45%	Cemeteries
6.30%	Unclassified
4.30%	Debt & Interest

## RECAP of Reserve Fund

Appropriation	\$18,000.00
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### Transferred to:

Accountant's Salary	685.50
Int. on Tax Ant. Notes	800.00
Appeals Board Expense	150.00
Selectmen's Expense	600.00
Light in Town Bldgs.	5,070.74
Street Lighting	3,011.58
Police Regular Exp.	1,500.00
TOTAL TO APRIL 1, 1930	<u>\$6,182.18</u>



TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC:

The Finance Committee respectfully submits the enclosed budget recommendations for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 to the voters of Merrimac.

The Merrimac Finance Committee has undergone a period of transition. The major changes are reflected in personnel and basic philosophy.

Due to the late start in beginning the budget reviews, and the fact that many requests were submitted very late or not at all, the reorganized Fin Com felt it necessary to accelerate the review process. In the future, the Committee will establish and publish definite guidelines to be followed when preparing budget requests. This past year, many budgets came up short in their expense appropriations and have placed too heavy a burden on the Reserve Fund. The Fin Com feels that department heads must request adequate funding based on logical projections of need. To this end the Fin Com has attempted to take a reasonable and realistic approach when reviewing budgets and recommending increases.

In all cases, when reviewing budget requests and warrant articles, several key factors have been stressed. The Fin Com has attempted, in a relatively short period of time, to determine the realistic needs and priorities of the departments with which it has met. In all cases, obtaining maximum value for the tax dollars appropriated, has been uppermost in our minds. The Committee has tried to negotiate, rather than mandate, when meeting with department representatives. With few exceptions, sponsors of budget and warrant proposals have responded clearly and responsibly when questioned by Fin Com members. In an attempt by the Committee to gain as much knowledge as possible, the departments were asked many questions concerning past performance, present needs, and future outlook. Each department's revenue generating ability or the availability of outside funding were major factors which were weighed when making budget recommendations. In several cases, (Building Inspector and Wiring Inspector included) where large increases were requested, the potential revenues generated by fees or other sources were the determining factors in recommending the increases. It should be noted, however, in most cases where major expense increases are called for, they are fuel or energy related. The Fin Com has requested energy audits for areas where increases in efficiency or economy could effectively reduce consumption.

The respective School Department budgets, although making up the largest percentage of appropriations, were given a rather low priority. This action was deemed necessary as the present Fin Com was not organized in time to be properly represented at the initial budget hearings. The Fin Com's lack of initial input or review, and the obvious fiscal autonomy aspects of school related appropriations prompted the decision to accept the inevitable increases. The Fin Com appreciates the apparent effort put forth by the Merrimac School Committee and related departments involved in its budget requests which appear reasonable and realistic. Increases were held down in most areas, and, discounting increases in fuel costs and expenditures for special education

programs, the overall appropriation shows an increase of only 4.7%. The Fin Com will be prepared in the future to take an active part in the initial review process and will inject its views with an eye toward mutual responsibility and cooperation.

Again, one of the major areas of concern, is the funding for the proposed Sewer and Wastewater Treatment Facility. It is the opinion of the Fin Com, after several meetings and discussions with the Sewer Commission, that we must expedite the project with approval of all necessary proposals and possible additional funding. It is apparent the Sewer Commission has worked hard to acquire the maximum Federal and State funding and obtain the required approvals. They have seen to it that the planning stages have been efficiently carried out. The Commission has drafted a user charge and use ordinance which appears to be comprehensive and fair. The project must commence without further delays which will inevitably lead to an increase in the costs.

In summing up the overall outlook, the President's announced inflation fighting package plus announced cuts in State aid and Federal Revenue Sharing, make the prospects for additional Federal and State funding very poor. In looking ahead, the Fin Com is concerned about the future when many worthy programs which are now supported by State or Federal funds must be continued without such outside financial support. The decade of the Eighties may prove to be a difficult one in light of the proposed cuts in Federal and State aid. The burden of support for many programs will swing more heavily to the Town and its taxpayers. In an era of continued double digit inflation, the importance of voter participation and input, becomes even more critical when it comes to establishing priorities which will determine the overall quality of life in our local community. The Fin Com strongly requests maximum taxpayer attendance at the Special and Annual Town Meetings and looks forward to the support of Department Heads and Warrant Sponsors in presenting specific supporting arguments for their budget requests and warrant proposals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald R. Jordan, Co. Chairman  
Paul A. Warden, Co. Chairman  
John E. Dunn  
Theodore C. Dydowicz  
Walter A. Haggstrom  
Robert D. Marquis  
Raymond Petrarca  
Robert L. Witham  

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MERRIMAC FINANCE COMMITTEE

The dollar amounts appearing in this booklet are based on the figures available as of April 14, 1980.

Amended amounts and the Finance Committee warrant article recommendations will be published separately prior to the May 5 Town Meeting.



Expended  
Fiscal 1979

Appropriated  
Fiscal 1980

Requested  
Fiscal 1981

Recommended  
Fiscal 1981

GENERAL GOVERNMENT 3.40% of TOTAL

<u>Moderator</u>				
1	Salary	12.00	12.00	12.00
<u>Finance Committee</u>				
2	Expenses	926.24	1,050.00	1,050.00
<u>Selectmen</u>				
3	Salaries	3,000.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
4	Secretary	6,840.00	7,200.00	7,940.00
5	Expense	<u>2,397.75</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>	<u>2,600.00</u>
		12,237.75	13,400.00	13,940.00
<u>Accountant</u>				
6	Salary	6,955.00	7,233.00	12,700.00
7	Expenses	<u>410.00</u>	<u>460.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
		7,365.00	7,693.00	13,200.00
<u>Treasurer</u>				
8	Salary	3,700.00	4,000.00	5,200.00
9	Expense	<u>4,958.60</u>	<u>5,300.00</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>
			10,130.00	9,730.00
<u>Tax Collector</u>				
10	Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11	Clerk	1,200.00	1,500.00	1,800.00
12	Expense	<u>3,589.41</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,089.00</u>
		7,289.41	8,000.00	8,389.00
<u>Board of Assessors</u>				
13	Salary	3,300.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
14	Clerk	7,836.00	8,336.00	8,936.00
15	Expense	1,839.67	2,100.00	2,415.00
16	Equalization-Warrant Art. #10	<u>4,515.83</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>
		17,491.50	15,236.00	16,151.00
<u>Legal Suits &amp; Expense</u>				
17	Counsel Salary	1,980.00	1,980.00	2,059.00
18	Expense	<u>4,083.25</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>
		6,063.25	6,480.00	6,559.00
<u>Town Clerk</u>				
19	Salary	1,250.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
20	Expense	<u>339.96</u>	<u>750.00</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>
		1,589.96	2,250.00	2,850.00
<u>Board of Registrars</u>				
21	Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00
22	Expense	639.84	350.00	450.00
23	Census Taker Expense	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
		1,339.84	1,050.00	1,150.00
<u>Election Officers</u>				
24	Wages	992.00	732.00	1,119.00
25	Expense	<u>68.00</u>	<u>52.00</u>	<u>99.00</u>
		1,060.00	784.00	1,218.00
<u>Planning Board</u>				
26	Expense	422.55	800.00	800.00



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Board of Appeals</u>				
27 Expense	396.49	400.00	550.00	550.00
<u>Bonding Town Officers</u>				
28 Expense	869.00	825.00	811.00	811.00
<u>Town Hall</u>				
29 Janitor Salary	993.00	1,068.00	1,168.00	1,168.00
30 Maintenance Exp.	2,343.34	3,200.00	4,100.00	4,100.00
31 Heating	2,833.85	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	<u>6,170.19</u>	<u>7,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>
<u>Municipal Buildings</u>				
32 Maintenance Exp.	839.17	500.00	500.00	500.00
33 Heating	4,665.17	4,500.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
34 Electric Heat	3,200.00	4,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<u>8,704.34</u>	<u>9,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	\$80,596.12	\$84,048.00	\$97,578.00	\$95,978.00

COUNCIL FOR THE AGING .60% of the TOTAL

35 Director Salary	7,129.59	7,856.00	8,456.00	8,456.00
36 Clerk's Salary	0.00	3,120.00	3,416.00	3,416.00
37 Janitor Salary	0.00	0.00	1,708.00	854.00
38 Expense	3,229.76	3,490.00	4,196.00	4,096.00
TOTAL COUNCIL AGING	\$10,359.35	\$14,466.00	\$17,776.00	\$16,822.00

PROTECTION 7.70% of the TOTAL

<u>Police</u>				
39 Chief-Salary	19,120.40	20,306.00	20,306.00	20,306.00
40 Sargent-Salary	14,431.51	15,406.00	15,406.00	15,406.00
41 Patrolmen-Wages	38,338.32	40,630.00	40,630.00	40,630.00
42 Night Premium	615.60	980.00	980.00	980.00
43 Paid Holidays	3,030.79	2,338.00	2,338.00	2,338.00
44 Court Time	3,827.42	3,935.00	3,935.00	3,935.00
45 Overtime	2,029.04	2,080.00	2,080.00	2,080.00
46 Regular Expense	10,973.30	3,500.00	8,910.00	8,910.00
47 Specials	17,167.10	16,000.00	16,960.00	16,960.00
48 Crossing Guards	3,810.00	4,081.00	5,760.00	4,450.00
49 Dispatch-Wages	28,227.35	31,102.00	34,195.00	34,195.00
50 Dispatch-Expense	4,332.43	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
51 Fuel	0.00	6,500.00	8,400.00	12,000.00
TOTAL POLICE & COMM.	\$145,903.26	\$150,858.00	\$159,900.00	\$162,190.00

<u>Fire</u>				
52 Fire Dept.-Wages	17,300.00	17,100.00	23,150.00	20,000.00
53 Expense	13,207.16	13,035.00	17,190.00	17,190.00
54 Forest Fire Wardens	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL FIRE	\$30,507.16	\$30,335.00	\$40,540.00	\$37,390.00

<u>Civil Defense</u>				
55 Expense	286.88	350.00	0.00	0.00

<u>Fire Alarm Inspector</u>				
56 Expense	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Gas Inspector</u>				
57 Salary	416.00	416.00	416.00	416.00
58 Expense	<u>150.50</u>	<u>174.00</u>	<u>174.00</u>	<u>174.00</u>
	\$566.50	\$590.00	\$590.00	\$590.00
<u>Wiring Inspector</u>				
59 Salary	500.00	600.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
60 Expense	<u>100.00</u>	<u>100.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
	\$600.00	\$700.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,500.00
<u>Building Inspector</u>				
61 Salary	600.00	600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
62 Expense	<u>84.32</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>200.00</u>
	\$684.32	\$800.00	\$1,400.00	\$1,400.00
<u>Oil Burner Inspector</u>				
62 Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
64 Expense	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>	<u>50.00</u>
	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00	\$200.00
<u>Tree Warden</u>				
65 Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
66 Expense	3,277.78	4,047.00	4,047.00	4,047.00
67 Insect Pest Control	457.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
68 Dutch Elm	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
69 New Trees	885.90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
70 Stump Removal	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>
	\$7,920.68	\$8,847.00	\$8,847.00	\$8,847.00
<u>Dog Officer</u>				
71 Salary	953.28	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
72 Expense	<u>462.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>	<u>1,050.00</u>
	\$1,415.28	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,300.00
TOTAL PROTECTION	\$188,234.08	\$195,130.00	\$215,277.00	\$214,567.00
<u>HEALTH &amp; SANITATION .40% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Board of Health</u>				
73 Expense	576.65	2,200.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
74 Food Service Inspector	<u>0.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
	\$576.65	\$2,500.00	\$3,300.00	\$3,300.00
<u>Town Nurse</u>				
75 Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
76 Expense	<u>91.32</u>	<u>200.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>	<u>300.00</u>
	\$2,591.32	\$2,700.00	\$3,000.00	\$3,000.00
<u>Plumbing Inspector</u>				
77 Salary	420.00	480.00	480.00	480.00
<u>Sewerage &amp; Health Inspector</u>				
78 Expense	2,072.50	2,100.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
<u>Animal Inspector</u>				
79 Salary	66.67	100.00	100.00	100.00
80 Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>	<u>15.00</u>
	\$66.67	\$115.00	\$115.00	\$115.00

		Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
	<u>Milk Inspector</u>				
81	Salary	0.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
82	Expense	0.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>
	<u>Sewer Commission</u>				
83	Salaries	0.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
84	Expense	0.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
		<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,600.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
	<u>Dump Maintenance</u>				
85	Operation-Warrant Art.#23	27,222.99	47,000.00	50,000.00 (est)	50,000.00
86	Engineering-Warrant Art.#24	17,450.00	4,952.00	4,000.00 (est)	4,000.00
				<u>\$54,000.00</u>	<u>\$54,000.00</u>
TOTAL HEALTH & SANIT.		<u>\$50,400.13</u>	<u>\$61,487.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>

HIGHWAYS 4.40% of the TOTAL

	<u>Superintendent-</u>				
87	Salary	12,275.00	12,946.00	13,722.76	13,722.76
88	Wages	34,216.84	37,545.00	39,797.70	39,797.70
89	Overtime	4,872.58	8,610.00	9,126.60	9,126.60
90	Thickly Settled	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
91	Road Machinery	10,911.31	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
92	Snow & Washouts	18,337.31	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
93	Repairs Private Ways	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
94	Side., Rails, Bridges	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
95	Oiling Roads	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
96	Fuel	5,484.50	6,500.00	6,500.00	10,500.00
97	Road Cons. & Impr. Warrant Art. #18	28,445.20	17,627.00	11,295.00	11,295.00
TOTAL HIGHWAYS		<u>\$137,542.74</u>	<u>\$132,228.00</u>	<u>\$129,442.06</u>	<u>\$133,442.06</u>

CHARITIES .20% of the TOTAL

	<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>				
98	Clerks Salary	937.00	984.00	1,043.00	1,043.00
99	Ordinary Allowance	2,034.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
		<u>\$2,971.00</u>	<u>\$5,984.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>
	<u>Veternas' Service Officer</u>				
100	Salary	1,171.00	1,229.00	1,302.00	1,302.00
101	Expense	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
		<u>\$1,421.00</u>	<u>\$1,479.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>
	<u>Care of Veterans' Graves</u>				
102	Expense	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00
TOTAL CHARITIES		<u>\$4,516.00</u>	<u>\$7,587.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>

SCHOOLS 64.7% of the TOTAL

	<u>Elementary Schools</u>				
103	Salaries & Wages	543,080.67	604,389.00	644,317.00	644,317.00
104	Expense	132,001.46	113,261.00	137,866.00	137,866.00
105	SPED	102,642.40	161,269.00	171,855.00	171,855.00



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Regional &amp; Vo-Tech</u>				
106 Trans.&Tuition	<u>34,680.00</u>	<u>41,500.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>
TOT. ELEM. SCHOOLS	\$872,404.53	\$920,419.00	\$996,138.00	\$996,138.00
<u>Whittier Vo-Tech</u>				
107 Assessment	\$105,197.02	\$166,394.00	\$202,740.00	\$202,740.00
<u>Pentucket Regional</u>				
108 Assessment	<u>\$553,613.00</u>	<u>\$574,531.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>
TOTAL SCHOOLS	\$1,531,214.55	\$1,661,344.00	\$1,800,314.00	\$1,800,314.00
<u>LIBRARY 1.56% of the TOTAL</u>				
109 Wages	27,883.02	29,360.00	32,030.00	31,708.00
110 Expense	<u>11,655.74</u>	<u>11,270.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$39,538.76	\$40,630.00	\$43,975.00	\$43,653.00
<u>RECREATION .37% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Playground</u>				
111 Expense	5,108.68	6,010.00	6,700.00	6,100.00
<u>Supervised Play</u>				
112 Expense	2,080.00	2,212.00	2,450.00	2,250.00
<u>Indian Head Park</u>				
113 Expense	<u>2,403.16</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>2,330.00</u>	<u>1,896.00</u>
TOTAL RECREATION	\$9,591.84	\$10,022.00	\$11,480.00	\$10,246.00
<u>PENSIONS 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Essex County Retirement</u>				
114 Assessment	55,136.00	61,600.00	77,043.00	77,043.00
<u>Pension Bill</u>				
115 Expense	<u>708.99</u>	<u>743.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>
TOTAL PENSIONS	\$55,844.99	\$62,343.00	\$77,819.00	\$77,819.00
<u>WATER DEPARTMENT 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
116 Managers-Salary	5,980.00	6,125.00	6,493.68	6,493.68
117 Clerks-Salary	3,286.40	3,623.00	3,841.92	3,841.92
118 Wages	24,247.17	26,017.00	27,574.40	27,574.40
119 Expense	29,998.03	30,200.00	32,654.00	32,900.00
120 Water Comm. Salaries	1,067.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
121 Excav. & Roadwork	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,209.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$64,578.60	\$72,374.00	\$77,494.00	\$77,740.00
<u>CEMETERY DEPARTMENT .45% of the TOTAL</u>				
122 Wages	11,350.00	11,250.00	12,250.00	11,931.00
123 Trustees	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
124 Clerk	500.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
125 Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL CEMETERIES	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$12,681.00
<u>UNCLASSIFIED 6.30% of the TOTAL</u>				
126 Property & Liab. Ins.	44,989.00	45,788.00	49,451.00	49,451.00
127 Grp. Health & Life	25,470.38	22,250.00	27,000.00	27,000.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
128 Repairs Tax Title Prop.	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
129 Ambulance Service	6,985.36	7,500.00	8,600.00	8,600.00
130 Memorial Day	443.70	500.00	500.00	500.00
131 Legion Hall	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
132 Conservation Commission	809.60	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
133 Vital Statistics	132.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
134 Printing Town Report	1,753.60	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
135 M.V.P.C.	849.00	849.00	1,061.25	1,061.25
136 Electric. Twn. Bldgs.	15,867.72	15,402.00	24,326.00	30,000.00
137 Water Town Bldgs.	869.72	980.00	980.00	980.00
138 Street Lighting	16,168.21	17,299.00	22,342.00	22,342.00
139 Town Gardens	882.42	900.00	900.00	900.00
140 Reserve Fund	17,453.84	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
141 Stabilization Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
142 Unemployment Exp.	2,950.50	8,000.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	\$122,325.05	\$141,668.00	\$170,160.25	\$175,834.25

MATURING DEBT 4.30% of the TOTAL

<u>Debt</u>				
143 Red Oak School	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
144 Water Wells	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
145 Standpipe	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
146 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00

<u>Interest on Debt</u>				
147 Red Oak School	12,495.00	11,025.00	9,555.00	9,555.00
148 Water Wells	16,660.00	14,945.00	13,230.00	13,230.00
149 Standpipe	3,965.00	3,355.00	2,745.00	2,745.00
150 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
	\$33,120.00	\$29,325.00	\$32,530.00	\$32,530.00

<u>Interest on Tax Ant. Notes</u>				
151 Interest	1,029.45	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	\$114,149.45	\$110,325.00	\$119,530.00	\$119,530.00

TOTAL OMNIBUS RECOMMENDATIONS \$2,783,087.00

TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES \$ 263,160.33

GRAND TOTAL - OMNIBUS &  
WARRANT ARTICLES \$3,046,247.33

PROPOSED REVENUE SHARING \$ 65,300.00



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
WARRANT

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to exceed the Appropriation Limit by \_\_\_\_\_ under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ of the Levy Limit under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1970; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 108 as amended; Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, and raise appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised or trnasferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1980 and make appropriations for the same said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1980 in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

Free Cash Figure \$11,482.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such a sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Sections 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer dog license fees collected during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980, to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An Act Providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries" or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_



Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,200.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to retain \$11,482.00 of Free Cash certified July 1, 1979, under the provisions of Section 12(a) of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for interest on temporary borrowing necessary for the sewer construction project for Fiscal Year 1981 in addition to the amount appropriated for Fiscal Year 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$35,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to increase the total authorized amount for the design phase of the proposed sewage system from \$385,000 to \$400,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$25,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the acquisition of any land and easements or interest in land, by gift, purchase or eminent domain, necessary for laying sewer lines and interceptors on private property, and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the Water Department Well Field and Water Main Project for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$37,100 or any other sum for replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe and modification of the system controls; to determine whether such appropriation will be raised by borrowing or otherwise; and to take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,100.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe, and modification of the system controls for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of construction, reconstruction and resurfacing of local streets; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$11,295.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to change or improve the heating system for the Police Department located at the Brox Municipal Building, Merrimac; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$7,500.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Police Cruiser towards the cost of said new Cruiser; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,700.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a new Radar Unit for the Police Department and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Radar Unit towards the cost of said new Radar Unit; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,008.29 to be Raised & Appropriated and \$91.71 to be transferred from Anti-Recession Funds

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for the Fiscal Year 1981 thru Fiscal Year 1984 for the purpose of maintaining a Sanitary Landfill Operation; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to maintain a Sanitary Landfill Operation for the Fiscal Year 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ 47,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying funds to Haley & Ward, Inc., Civil and Environmental Engineers of Waltham, Massachusetts, for engineering services required for the continuing operation of the Town's Sanitary Landfill for the period of July 1, 1980 thru June 30, 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,250.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Small quantities of brush gathered from general yard cleaning may be deposited in the Landfill Area without first being chipped" and substituting in place thereof the following sentence: "All materials deposited in the Town Landfill Area must be chipped in accordance with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Laws and Regulations"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Stumps and logs will be accepted as is" and substitute in place thereof the following sentence: "No stumps, logs, or tires shall be deposited in the Town Landfill Area"; or take any other action relative thereto.



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XV of the Town By-Laws by adding Section XIV, which reads as follows: "No person shall deposit, maintain or use, or cause suffer or permit to be constructed, maintained, or used, stumps or logs as fill on any lot or lots in the Town of Merrimac"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for Consultant fees as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for installing insulation, storm windows and whatever interior structural changes are required to make Town Offices energy efficient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Development Financing Authority for industrial development purposes pursuant to Chapter 40D of the Massachusetts General Laws and make the appropriate findings and declarations; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to pass a Sewer Use By-Law for the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the transfer from the Fire Department of the ladder truck to the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Legion Hall Study Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept by way of gift from Stanley F. Wood Post #134, The American Legion Home; said American Legion Home would be used by and for the Town's Boards and Committees, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen or for any other purpose that the said Selectmen deem necessary; and further that the upper hall and storage room of said building be used by the American Legion and Auxiliary; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay its share of a Circuit Rider Executive Secretary; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,533.33 - to be \_\_\_\_\_





FINANCE COMMITTEE  
TOWN HALL  
MERRIMAC, MASS.

**Report of the  
FINANCE COMMITTEE  
MERRIMAC, MASSACHUSETTS  
1980**



A summary of recommendations to be presented at the  
Annual Town Meeting in Red Oak School

8:00 P. M.

MAY 5, 1980

What We Can Afford Is As Important As What We Need!

Please Bring This Report With You



# Budget Breakdown

by

Category

64.7%	SCHOOLS
35.8%	Local
21.6%	Pentucket
7.3%	Whittier
3.40%	General Gov.
.60%	Council on Aging
7.70%	Protection
.40	Health & Sanit.
4.40%	Highways
.20%	Charities
1.56%	Library
.37%	Recreation
2.80%	Pensions
2.80%	Water
.45%	Cemeteries
6.30%	Unclassified
4.30%	Debt & Interest

## RECAP of Reserve Fund

Appropriation	\$18,000.00
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### Transferred to:

Accountant's Salary	685.50
Int. on Tax Ant. Notes	800.00
Appeals Board Expense	150.00
Selectmen's Expense	600.00
Light in Town Bldgs.	5,070.74
Street Lighting	3,011.58
Police Regular Exp.	1,500.00
TOTAL TO APRIL 1, 1930	<u>\$6,182.18</u>

TO THE CITIZENS OF THE TOWN OF MERRIMAC:

The Finance Committee respectfully submits the enclosed budget recommendations for the Fiscal Year July 1, 1980 to June 30, 1981 to the voters of Merrimac.

The Merrimac Finance Committee has undergone a period of transition. The major changes are reflected in personnel and basic philosophy.

Due to the late start in beginning the budget reviews, and the fact that many requests were submitted very late or not at all, the reorganized Fin Com felt it necessary to accelerate the review process. In the future, the Committee will establish and publish definite guidelines to be followed when preparing budget requests. This past year, many budgets came up short in their expense appropriations and have placed too heavy a burden on the Reserve Fund. The Fin Com feels that department heads must request adequate funding based on logical projections of need. To this end the Fin Com has attempted to take a reasonable and realistic approach when reviewing budgets and recommending increases.

In all cases, when reviewing budget requests and warrant articles, several key factors have been stressed. The Fin Com has attempted, in a relatively short period of time, to determine the realistic needs and priorities of the departments with which it has met. In all cases, obtaining maximum value for the tax dollars appropriated, has been uppermost in our minds. The Committee has tried to negotiate, rather than mandate, when meeting with department representatives. With few exceptions, sponsors of budget and warrant proposals have responded clearly and responsibly when questioned by Fin Com members. In an attempt by the Committee to gain as much knowledge as possible, the departments were asked many questions concerning past performance, present needs, and future outlook. Each department's revenue generating ability or the availability of outside funding were major factors which were weighed when making budget recommendations. In several cases, (Building Inspector and Wiring Inspector included) where large increases were requested, the potential revenues generated by fees or other sources were the determining factors in recommending the increases. It should be noted, however, in most cases where major expense increases are called for, they are fuel or energy related. The Fin Com has requested energy audits for areas where increases in efficiency or economy could effectively reduce consumption.

The respective School Department budgets, although making up the largest percentage of appropriations, were given a rather low priority. This action was deemed necessary as the present Fin Com was not organized in time to be properly represented at the initial budget hearings. The Fin Com's lack of initial input or review, and the obvious fiscal autonomy aspects of school related appropriations prompted the decision to accept the inevitable increases. The Fin Com appreciates the apparent effort put forth by the Merrimac School Committee and related departments involved in its budget requests which appear reasonable and realistic. Increases were held down in most areas, and, discounting increases in fuel costs and expenditures for special education



programs, the overall appropriation shows an increase of only 4.7%. The Fin Com will be prepared in the future to take an active part in the initial review process and will inject its views with an eye toward mutual responsibility and cooperation.

Again, one of the major areas of concern, is the funding for the proposed Sewer and Wastewater Treatment Facility. It is the opinion of the Fin Com, after several meetings and discussions with the Sewer Commission, that we must expedite the project with approval of all necessary proposals and possible additional funding. It is apparent the Sewer Commission has worked hard to acquire the maximum Federal and State funding and obtain the required approvals. They have seen to it that the planning stages have been efficiently carried out. The Commission has drafted a user charge and use ordinance which appears to be comprehensive and fair. The project must commence without further delays which will inevitably lead to an increase in the costs.

In summing up the overall outlook, the President's announced inflation fighting package plus announced cuts in State aid and Federal Revenue Sharing, make the prospects for additional Federal and State funding very poor. In looking ahead, the Fin Com is concerned about the future when many worthy programs which are now supported by State or Federal funds must be continued without such outside financial support. The decade of the Eighties may prove to be a difficult one in light of the proposed cuts in Federal and State aid. The burden of support for many programs will swing more heavily to the Town and its taxpayers. In an era of continued double digit inflation, the importance of voter participation and input, becomes even more critical when it comes to establishing priorities which will determine the overall quality of life in our local community. The Fin Com strongly requests maximum taxpayer attendance at the Special and Annual Town Meetings and looks forward to the support of Department Heads and Warrant Sponsors in presenting specific supporting arguments for their budget requests and warrant proposals.

Respectfully submitted,  
Ronald R. Jordan, Co. Chairman  
Paul A. Warden, Co. Chairman  
John E. Dunn  
Theodore C. Dydowicz  
Walter A. Haggstrom  
Robert D. Marquis  
Raymond Petrarca  
Robert L. Witham  

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MERRIMAC FINANCE COMMITTEE

The dollar amounts appearing in this booklet are based on the figures available as of April 14, 1980. Amended amounts and the Finance Committee warrant article recommendations will be published separately prior to the May 5 Town Meeting.



Expended  
Fiscal 1979

Appropriated  
Fiscal 1980

Requested  
Fiscal 1981

Recommended  
Fiscal 1981

GENERAL GOVERNMENT 3.40% of TOTAL

Moderator

1	Salary	12.00	12.00	12.00	12.00
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Finance Committee

2	Expenses	926.24	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,050.00
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Selectmen

3	Salaries	3,000.00	3,400.00	3,400.00	3,400.00
4	Secretary	6,840.00	7,200.00	7,940.00	7,940.00
5	Expense	<u>2,397.75</u>	<u>2,800.00</u>	<u>2,600.00</u>	<u>2,600.00</u>
		12,237.75	13,400.00	13,940.00	13,940.00

Accountant

6	Salary	6,955.00	7,233.00	12,700.00	12,700.00
7	Expenses	<u>410.00</u>	<u>460.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>	<u>500.00</u>
		7,365.00	7,693.00	13,200.00	13,200.00

Treasurer

8	Salary	3,700.00	4,000.00	5,200.00	4,800.00
9	Expense	<u>4,958.60</u>	<u>5,300.00</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>	<u>4,930.00</u>
				10,130.00	9,730.00

Tax Collector

10	Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
11	Clerk	1,200.00	1,500.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
12	Expense	<u>3,589.41</u>	<u>4,000.00</u>	<u>4,089.00</u>	<u>4,089.00</u>
		7,289.41	8,000.00	8,389.00	8,389.00

Board of Assessors

13	Salary	3,300.00	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
14	Clerk	7,836.00	8,336.00	8,936.00	8,936.00
15	Expense	1,839.67	2,100.00	2,415.00	2,215.00
16	Equalization-Warrant Art. #10	<u>4,515.83</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>	<u>1,200.00</u>
		17,491.50	15,236.00	16,151.00	15,951.00

Legal Suits & Expense

17	Counsel Salary	1,980.00	1,980.00	2,059.00	2,059.00
18	Expense	<u>4,083.25</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>	<u>4,500.00</u>
		6,063.25	6,480.00	6,559.00	6,559.00

Town Clerk

19	Salary	1,250.00	1,500.00	1,500.00	1,500.00
20	Expense	<u>339.96</u>	<u>750.00</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>	<u>1,350.00</u>
		1,589.96	2,250.00	2,850.00	2,850.00

Board of Registrars

21	Salaries	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
22	Expense	639.84	350.00	450.00	450.00
23	Census Taker Expense	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>	<u>400.00</u>
		1,339.84	1,050.00	1,150.00	1,150.00

Election Officers

24	Wages	992.00	732.00	1,119.00	1,119.00
25	Expense	<u>68.00</u>	<u>52.00</u>	<u>99.00</u>	<u>99.00</u>
		1,060.00	784.00	1,218.00	1,218.00

Planning Board

26	Expense	422.55	800.00	800.00	800.00
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	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Board of Appeals</u>				
27 Expense	396.49	400.00	550.00	550.00
<u>Bonding Town Officers</u>				
28 Expense	869.00	825.00	811.00	811.00
<u>Town Hall</u>				
29 Janitor Salary	993.00	1,068.00	1,168.00	1,168.00
30 Maintenance Exp.	2,343.34	3,200.00	4,100.00	4,100.00
31 Heating	2,833.85	3,000.00	4,000.00	4,000.00
	<u>6,170.19</u>	<u>7,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>	<u>9,268.00</u>
<u>Municipal Buildings</u>				
32 Maintenance Exp.	839.17	500.00	500.00	500.00
33 Heating	4,665.17	4,500.00	6,000.00	6,000.00
34 Electric Heat	3,200.00	4,500.00	5,000.00	5,000.00
	<u>8,704.34</u>	<u>9,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>	<u>11,500.00</u>
TOTAL GENERAL GOV'T	\$80,596.12	\$84,048.00	\$97,578.00	\$95,978.00
<u>COUNCIL FOR THE AGING .60% of the TOTAL</u>				
35 Director Salary	7,129.59	7,856.00	8,456.00	8,456.00
36 Clerk's Salary	0.00	3,120.00	3,416.00	3,416.00
37 Janitor Salary	0.00	0.00	1,708.00	854.00
38 Expense	3,229.76	3,490.00	4,196.00	4,096.00
TOTAL COUNCIL AGING	\$10,359.35	\$14,466.00	\$17,776.00	\$16,822.00
<u>PROTECTION 7.70% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Police</u>				
39 Chief-Salary	19,120.40	20,306.00	20,306.00	20,306.00
40 Sargent-Salary	14,431.51	15,406.00	15,406.00	15,406.00
41 Patrolmen-Wages	38,338.32	40,630.00	40,630.00	40,630.00
42 Night Premium	615.60	980.00	980.00	980.00
43 Paid Holidays	3,030.79	2,338.00	2,338.00	2,338.00
44 Court Time	3,827.42	3,935.00	3,935.00	3,935.00
45 Overtime	2,029.04	2,080.00	2,080.00	2,080.00
46 Regular Expense	10,973.30	3,500.00	8,910.00	8,910.00
47 Specials	17,167.10	16,000.00	16,960.00	16,960.00
48 Crossing Guards	3,810.00	4,081.00	5,760.00	4,450.00
49 Dispatch-Wages	28,227.35	31,102.00	34,195.00	34,195.00
50 Dispatch-Expense	4,332.43	4,000.00	0.00	0.00
51 Fuel	0.00	6,500.00	8,400.00	12,000.00
TOTAL POLICE & COMM.	\$145,903.26	\$150,858.00	\$159,900.00	\$162,190.00
<u>Fire</u>				
52 Fire Dept.-Wages	17,300.00	17,100.00	23,150.00	20,000.00
53 Expense	13,207.16	13,035.00	17,190.00	17,190.00
54 Forest Fire Wardens	0.00	200.00	200.00	200.00
TOTAL FIRE	\$30,507.16	\$30,335.00	\$40,540.00	\$37,390.00
<u>Civil Defense</u>				
55 Expense	286.88	350.00	0.00	0.00
<u>Fire Alarm Inspector</u>				
56 Expense	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Gas Inspector</u>				
57 Salary	416.00	416.00	416.00	416.00
58 Expense	150.50	174.00	174.00	174.00
	<u>\$566.50</u>	<u>\$590.00</u>	<u>\$590.00</u>	<u>\$590.00</u>
<u>Wiring Inspector</u>				
59 Salary	500.00	600.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
60 Expense	100.00	100.00	200.00	200.00
	<u>\$600.00</u>	<u>\$700.00</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>	<u>\$1,500.00</u>
<u>Building Inspector</u>				
61 Salary	600.00	600.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
62 Expense	84.32	200.00	200.00	200.00
	<u>\$684.32</u>	<u>\$800.00</u>	<u>\$1,400.00</u>	<u>\$1,400.00</u>
<u>Oil Burner Inspector</u>				
62 Salary	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
64 Expense	50.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>
<u>Tree Warden</u>				
65 Salary	300.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
66 Expense	3,277.78	4,047.00	4,047.00	4,047.00
67 Insect Pest Control	457.00	500.00	500.00	500.00
68 Dutch Elm	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
69 New Trees	885.90	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
70 Stump Removal	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	<u>\$7,920.68</u>	<u>\$8,847.00</u>	<u>\$8,847.00</u>	<u>\$8,847.00</u>
<u>Dog Officer</u>				
71 Salary	953.28	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,250.00
72 Expense	462.00	1,050.00	1,050.00	1,050.00
	<u>\$1,415.28</u>	<u>\$2,300.00</u>	<u>\$2,300.00</u>	<u>\$2,300.00</u>
TOTAL PROTECTION	\$188,234.08	\$195,130.00	\$215,277.00	\$214,567.00
<u>HEALTH &amp; SANITATION .40% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Board of Health</u>				
73 Expense	576.65	2,200.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
74 Food Service Inspector	0.00	300.00	300.00	300.00
	<u>\$576.65</u>	<u>\$2,500.00</u>	<u>\$3,300.00</u>	<u>\$3,300.00</u>
<u>Town Nurse</u>				
75 Salary	2,500.00	2,500.00	2,700.00	2,700.00
76 Expense	91.32	200.00	300.00	300.00
	<u>\$2,591.32</u>	<u>\$2,700.00</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>	<u>\$3,000.00</u>
<u>Plumbing Inspector</u>				
77 Salary	420.00	480.00	480.00	480.00
<u>Sewerage &amp; Health Inspector</u>				
78 Expense	2,072.50	2,100.00	2,500.00	2,500.00
<u>Animal Inspector</u>				
79 Salary	66.67	100.00	100.00	100.00
80 Expense	0.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
	<u>\$66.67</u>	<u>\$115.00</u>	<u>\$115.00</u>	<u>\$115.00</u>



	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Milk Inspector</u>				
81 Salary	0.00	25.00	25.00	25.00
82 Expense	0.00	15.00	15.00	15.00
	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>	<u>\$40.00</u>
<u>Sewer Commission</u>				
83 Salaries	0.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
84 Expense	0.00	1,000.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
	<u>\$0.00</u>	<u>\$1,600.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>	<u>\$1,800.00</u>
<u>Dump Maintenance</u>				
85 Operation-Warrant				
Art.#23	27,222.99	47,000.00	50,000.00 (est)	50,000.00
86 Engineering-Warrant				
Art.#24	17,450.00	4,952.00	4,000.00 (est)	4,000.00
			<u>\$54,000.00</u>	<u>\$54,000.00</u>
TOTAL HEALTH & SANIT.	<u>\$50,400.13</u>	<u>\$61,487.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>	<u>\$65,235.00</u>

HIGHWAYS 4.40% of the TOTAL

<u>Superintendent-</u>				
87 Salary	12,275.00	12,946.00	13,722.76	13,722.76
88 Wages	34,216.84	37,545.00	39,797.70	39,797.70
89 Overtime	4,872.58	8,610.00	9,126.60	9,126.60
90 Thickly Settled	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
91 Road Machinery	10,911.31	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
92 Snow & Washouts	18,337.31	16,000.00	16,000.00	16,000.00
93 Repairs Private Ways	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
94 Side., Rails, Bridges	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
95 Oiling Roads	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
96 Fuel	5,484.50	6,500.00	6,500.00	10,500.00
97 Road Cons. & Impr.				
Warrant Art. #18	28,445.20	17,627.00	11,295.00	11,295.00
TOTAL HIGHWAYS	<u>\$137,542.74</u>	<u>\$132,228.00</u>	<u>\$129,442.06</u>	<u>\$133,442.06</u>

CHARITIES .20% of the TOTAL

<u>Veterans' Benefits</u>				
98 Clerks Salary	937.00	984.00	1,043.00	1,043.00
99 Ordinary Allowance	2,034.00	5,000.00	3,000.00	3,000.00
	<u>\$2,971.00</u>	<u>\$5,984.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>	<u>\$4,043.00</u>
<u>Veterans' Service Officer</u>				
100 Salary	1,171.00	1,229.00	1,302.00	1,302.00
101 Expense	250.00	250.00	250.00	250.00
	<u>\$1,421.00</u>	<u>\$1,479.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>	<u>\$1,552.00</u>
<u>Care of Veterans' Graves</u>				
102 Expense	124.00	124.00	124.00	124.00
TOTAL CHARITIES	<u>\$4,516.00</u>	<u>\$7,587.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>	<u>\$5,719.00</u>

SCHOOLS 64.7% of the TOTAL

<u>Elementary Schools</u>				
103 Salaries & Wages	543,080.67	604,389.00	644,317.00	644,317.00
104 Expense	132,001.46	113,261.00	137,866.00	137,866.00
105 SPED	102,642.40	161,269.00	171,855.00	171,855.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
<u>Regional &amp; Vo-Tech</u>				
106 Trans.&Tuition	<u>34,680.00</u>	<u>41,500.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>	<u>42,100.00</u>
TOT. ELEM. SCHOOLS	\$872,404.53	\$920,419.00	\$996,138.00	\$996,138.00
<u>Whittier Vo-Tech</u>				
107 Assessment	\$105,197.02	\$166,394.00	\$202,740.00	\$202,740.00
<u>Pentucket Regional</u>				
108 Assessment	<u>\$553,613.00</u>	<u>\$574,531.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>	<u>\$601,436.00</u>
TOTAL SCHOOLS	\$1,531,214.55	\$1,661,344.00	\$1,800,314.00	\$1,800,314.00
<u>LIBRARY 1.56% of the TOTAL</u>				
109 Wages	27,883.02	29,360.00	32,030.00	31,708.00
110 Expense	<u>11,655.74</u>	<u>11,270.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>	<u>11,945.00</u>
TOTAL LIBRARY	\$39,538.76	\$40,630.00	\$43,975.00	\$43,653.00
<u>RECREATION .37% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Playground</u>				
111 Expense	5,108.68	6,010.00	6,700.00	6,100.00
<u>Supervised Play</u>				
112 Expense	2,080.00	2,212.00	2,450.00	2,250.00
<u>Indian Head Park</u>				
113 Expense	<u>2,403.16</u>	<u>1,800.00</u>	<u>2,330.00</u>	<u>1,896.00</u>
TOTAL RECREATION	\$9,591.84	\$10,022.00	\$11,480.00	\$10,246.00
<u>PENSIONS 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
<u>Essex County Retirement</u>				
114 Assessment	55,136.00	61,600.00	77,043.00	77,043.00
<u>Pension Bill</u>				
115 Expense	<u>708.99</u>	<u>743.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>	<u>776.00</u>
TOTAL PENSIONS	\$55,844.99	\$62,343.00	\$77,819.00	\$77,819.00
<u>WATER DEPARTMENT 2.80% of the TOTAL</u>				
116 Managers-Salary	5,980.00	6,125.00	6,493.68	6,493.68
117 Clerks-Salary	3,286.40	3,623.00	3,841.92	3,841.92
118 Wages	24,247.17	26,017.00	27,574.40	27,574.40
119 Expense	29,998.03	30,200.00	32,654.00	32,900.00
120 Water Comm. Salaries	1,067.00	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
121 Excav. & Roadwork	<u>0.00</u>	<u>5,209.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>	<u>5,730.00</u>
TOTAL WATER DEPARTMENT	\$64,578.60	\$72,374.00	\$77,494.00	\$77,740.00
<u>CEMETERY DEPARTMENT .45% of the TOTAL</u>				
122 Wages	11,350.00	11,250.00	12,250.00	11,931.00
123 Trustees	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
124 Clerk	500.00	600.00	600.00	600.00
125 Expense	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
TOTAL CEMETERIES	\$12,000.00	\$12,000.00	\$13,000.00	\$12,681.00
<u>UNCLASSIFIED 6.30% of the TOTAL</u>				
126 Property & Liab. Ins.	44,989.00	45,788.00	49,451.00	49,451.00
127 Grp. Health & Life	25,470.38	22,250.00	27,000.00	27,000.00

	Expended Fiscal 1979	Appropriated Fiscal 1980	Requested Fiscal 1981	Recommended Fiscal 1981
128 Repairs Tax Title Prop.	0.00	50.00	50.00	50.00
129 Ambulance Service	6,985.36	7,500.00	8,600.00	8,600.00
130 Memorial Day	443.70	500.00	500.00	500.00
131 Legion Hall	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
132 Conservation Commission	809.60	1,200.00	1,300.00	1,300.00
133 Vital Statistics	132.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
134 Printing Town Report	1,753.60	1,800.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
135 M.V.P.C.	849.00	849.00	1,061.25	1,061.25
136 Electric. Twn. Bldgs.	15,867.72	15,402.00	24,326.00	30,000.00
137 Water Town Bldgs.	869.72	980.00	980.00	980.00
138 Street Lighting	16,168.21	17,299.00	22,342.00	22,342.00
139 Town Gardens	882.42	900.00	900.00	900.00
140 Reserve Fund	17,453.84	18,000.00	18,000.00	18,000.00
141 Stabilization Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
142 Unemployment Exp.	2,950.50	8,000.00	12,500.00	12,500.00
TOTAL UNCLASSIFIED	\$122,325.05	\$141,668.00	\$170,160.25	\$175,834.25

MATURING DEBT 4.30% of the TOTAL

<u>Debt</u>				
143 Red Oak School	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00	35,000.00
144 Water Wells	35,000.00	35,000.00	30,000.00	30,000.00
145 Standpipe	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
146 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
	\$80,000.00	\$80,000.00	\$85,000.00	\$85,000.00

<u>Interest on Debt</u>				
147 Red Oak School	12,495.00	11,025.00	9,555.00	9,555.00
148 Water Wells	16,660.00	14,945.00	13,230.00	13,230.00
149 Standpipe	3,965.00	3,355.00	2,745.00	2,745.00
150 Water Project 1980	0.00	0.00	7,000.00	7,000.00
	\$33,120.00	\$29,325.00	\$32,530.00	\$32,530.00

<u>Interest on Tax Ant. Notes</u>				
151 Interest	1,029.45	1,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
	\$114,149.45	\$110,325.00	\$119,530.00	\$119,530.00

TOTAL OMNIBUS RECOMMENDATIONS \$2,783,087.00

TOTAL WARRANT ARTICLES \$ 263,160.33

GRAND TOTAL - OMNIBUS & WARRANT ARTICLES \$3,046,247.33

PROPOSED REVENUE SHARING \$ 65,300.00



ANNUAL TOWN MEETING  
WARRANT

Article 1. To see if the Town will vote to exceed the Appropriation Limit by \_\_\_\_\_ under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 2. To see if the Town will vote not to exceed \_\_\_\_\_ of the Levy Limit under the provisions of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1970; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 3. To see if the Town will vote to fix the salary and compensation of all elective officers of the Town as provided by Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 41, Section 103 as amended; Moderator, Town Clerk, Three Selectmen, Three Assessors, Treasurer, Tax Collector, Tree Warden, Three Commissioners of Municipal Light, Three Water Commissioners, and raise appropriate or transfer sums of money therefore, and to determine sums of money to be raised or transferred to defray the necessary and usual charges and expenses of the Town for the Fiscal Year commencing July 1, 1980 and make appropriations for the same said sums of money so raised, appropriated or transferred to be expended for specific purposes to be voted; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 4. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Town Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning July 1, 1980 in accordance with the provisions of Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 4, and to issue a note or notes therefore payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 44, Section 17; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 5. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Assessors to use a sum of money from available balances and from "FREE CASH" in the treasury toward the reduction of the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

Free Cash Figure \$11,482.00

Article 6. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from Electric Light Operating Balance, said money to be used by the Assessors with the estimated receipts to fix the tax rate for the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 7. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate a sum of money from the sale of Cemetery Lots, such a sum or part thereof, to be expended under the direction of the Cemetery Trustees for the "Care, Improvement and Embellishment" of said Cemeteries, according to Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 114, Sections 14 and Section 25; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 8. To see if the Town will vote to transfer dog license fees collected during the fiscal year commencing July 1, 1980, to the Merrimac Public Library as provided in Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 140, Section 172; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 9. To see if the Town will vote to accept benefits provided under Chapter 760, Acts of 1960 entitled "An Act Providing State Aid for Free Public Libraries" or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money to be expended by the Board of Assessors to perform duties and incur expenses relating to any equalization of the Town; to authorize the Board of Assessors to hire themselves at the rate of \$4.00 per hour and to hire such other necessary assistance as the Board of Assessors may deem necessary or convenient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,200.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 11. To see if the Town will vote to retain \$11,482.00 of Free Cash certified July 1, 1979, under the provisions of Section 12(a) of Chapter 151 of the Acts of 1979; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 12. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for interest on temporary borrowing necessary for the sewer construction project for Fiscal Year 1981 in addition to the amount appropriated for Fiscal Year 1980; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$35,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 13. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Sewer Commissioners to increase the total authorized amount for the design phase of the proposed sewage system from \$385,000 to \$400,000; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$25,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 14. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the acquisition of any land and easements or interest in land, by gift, purchase or eminent domain, necessary for laying sewer lines and interceptors on private property, and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the Water Department Well Field and Water Main Project for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$15,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to appropriate \$37,100 or any other sum for replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe and modification of the system controls; to determine whether such appropriation will be raised by borrowing or otherwise; and to take any other action relative thereto.

\$37,100.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money for the cost of interim financing for the replacement of the roof on the West Main Street standpipe, painting of the standpipe, and modification of the system controls for the Fiscal Year 1981; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,000.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for the purpose of construction, reconstruction and resurfacing of local streets; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$11,295.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_



Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to change or improve the heating system for the Police Department located at the Brox Municipal Building, Merrimac; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$7,500.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a Police Cruiser and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Police Cruiser towards the cost of said new Cruiser; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$6,700.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be expended by the Selectmen for the purchase of a new Radar Unit for the Police Department and to authorize the Selectmen to trade in any present Radar Unit towards the cost of said new Radar Unit; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$1,008.29 to be Raised & Appropriated and \$91.71 to be transferred from Anti-Recession Funds

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a contract for the Fiscal Year 1981 thru Fiscal Year 1984 for the purpose of maintaining a Sanitary Landfill Operation; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 23. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer a sum of money to be used to maintain a Sanitary Landfill Operation for the Fiscal Year 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ 47,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the purpose of paying funds to Haley & Ward, Inc., Civil and Environmental Engineers of Waltham, Massachusetts, for engineering services required for the continuing operation of the Town's Sanitary Landfill for the period of July 1, 1980 thru June 30, 1981; and to determine how said sum shall be raised, whether from the current tax levy, by transfer from available funds, by borrowing or otherwise, and how expended; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$2,250.00 - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 25. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Small quantities of brush gathered from general yard cleaning may be deposited in the Landfill Area without first being chipped" and substituting in place thereof the following sentence: "All materials deposited in the Town Landfill Area must be chipped in accordance with Commonwealth of Massachusetts Laws and Regulations"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 26. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XIII, Section 6 of the Town By-Laws by deleting the following sentence: "Stumps and logs will be accepted as is" and substitute in place thereof the following sentence: "No stumps, logs, or tires shall be deposited in the Town Landfill Area"; or take any other action relative thereto.



Article 27. To see if the Town will vote to amend Article XV of the Town By-Laws by adding Section XIV, which reads as follows: "No person shall deposit, maintain or use, or cause suffer or permit to be constructed, maintained, or used, stumps or logs as fill on any lot or lots in the Town of Merrimac"; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 28. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used for Consultant fees as needed by the Board of Selectmen; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,000.00 - to be transferred from Revenue Sharing Funds

Article 29. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay for installing insulation, storm windows and whatever interior structural changes are required to make Town Offices energy efficient; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ - to be \_\_\_\_\_

Article 30. To see if the Town will vote to establish an Industrial Development Financing Authority for industrial development purposes pursuant to Chapter 40D of the Massachusetts General Laws and make the appropriate findings and declarations; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 31. To see if the Town will vote to pass a Sewer Use By-Law for the Town of Merrimac; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 32. To see if the Town will vote to accept the transfer from the Fire Department of the ladder truck to the Town; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 33. To see if the Town will vote to hear and act upon the report of the Legion Hall Study Committee; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 34. To see if the Town will vote to accept by way of gift from Stanley F. Wood Post #134, The American Legion Home; said American Legion Home would be used by and for the Town's Boards and Committees, under the direction of the Board of Selectmen or for any other purpose that the said Selectmen deem necessary; and further that the upper hall and storage room of said building be used by the American Legion and Auxiliary; or take any other action relative thereto.

Article 35. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate or transfer from available funds a sum of money to be used to pay its share of a Circuit Rider Executive Secretary; or take any other action relative thereto.

\$4,533.33 - to be \_\_\_\_\_



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